

## Two Dead In U.S. Standoff

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**TRENTON, New Jersey (AP)** — The bodies of a woman and her 13-year-old son were found after a day-long standoff, and her boyfriend was killed as officers stormed a New Jersey



Gerald "Skip" Murphy, 38, of Trenton, N.J.  
(AP Photo/Mel Evans)

home to rescue three other children he had been holding captive, authorities said Sunday. Police officers initially went to the home Friday afternoon after a relative of 44-year-old Carmelita Stevens said she hadn't spoken to her in weeks and was worried, authorities said at a news conference Sunday. Upon further investigation, authorities then discovered her children hadn't been to school in 12 days. Officers entered the home through a rear door and smelled an odor consistent with that of a decomposing body, Trenton Police Director Ralph Rivera Jr. said. The officers also noticed maggots throughout the residence.

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## Big Uneasy



## 19 hurt in Mother's Day shooting in New Orleans

Bystanders comfort a shooting victim while awaiting EMS at the intersection of Frenchmen and N. Villere Streets after authorities say gunfire injured at least 19 people, including a child, at a Mother's Day second-line parade in New Orleans on Sunday, May 12, 2013. No deaths were reported.

(AP Photo/Lauren McGaughey)

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## Pickering: Clinton didn't make Benghazi call

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — A seasoned diplomat who penned a highly critical review on security at the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, Libya, defended his report that blamed State Department deficiencies but absolved then-Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton. Thomas Pickering, who has served in Republican as well as Democratic administrations over a career that spanned four decades, stood by his panel's

conclusion that decisions about the consulate were made well below the secretary's level. His comments during several television show appearances Sunday failed to placate Republicans who have called for a special select congressional committee to investigate the Sept. 11, 2012, assault on the diplomatic mission that killed four Americans, including U.S. Ambassador Chris Stevens. Democrats say Republi-

cans are trying to exploit the Benghazi deaths to undercut Clinton, an early favorite for the Democratic presidential nomination in 2016. "We knew where the responsibility rested," said Pickering, who headed the Accountability and Review Board that investigated the attack, along with retired Adm. Mike Mullen, the former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. "They've tried to point a finger at people more se-

nior than where we found the decisions were made," Pickering said of Clinton's critics. Pickering and Mullen's report released in December found that "systematic failures and leadership and management deficiencies at senior levels" of the State Department meant that security was "inadequate for Benghazi and grossly inadequate to deal with the attack that took place."

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# Prince Harry, injured US officer launch Warrior Games

**DAN ELLIOTT**

**Associated Press**

**COLORADO SPRINGS, Colorado (AP)** — Combat helicopter pilot Prince Harry of

of the volleyball team. "He's been on the ground and in the air." Henson, 28, lost both legs when an improvised bomb exploded

in Afghanistan two years ago. He said Harry took a personal interest in the athletes' recovery and the quality of their health care.

Royal Marine Matthew Hancox, 25, said the prince recognized some wounded veterans he had met before and asked them how they were recovering. "He's very down-to-earth," said Hancox, who was shot in the chest in Afghanistan in 2011. The prince on Saturday afternoon pulled a Union Jack jersey over his uniform and joined the British team in a raucous exhibition game of sitting volleyball against U.S. players. That delighted the audience of several hundred and prompted a string of teasing taunts from the arena announcer. The visit to Colorado got underway Friday night when Harry charmed dozens of dignitaries, British expatriates, students and military officers at a cocktail party welcoming him to Colorado. He also joined the crowd in singing "Hap-

py Birthday" to Franklin, a Coloradan who was celebrating turning 18 at a golf club south of Denver. She won four gold medals in the 2012 Olympic Games in London. A captain in Britain's Army Air Corps, Harry has deployed to Afghanistan twice, and he wore a brown camouflage uniform and tan combat boots when he met with the British team. His first deployment, as a forward air controller in 2007-2008, was cut short after 10 weeks when details of his whereabouts were disclosed in the media. On his second deployment, he was a co-pilot and gunner on an Apache helicopter. He acknowledged to reporters he had targeted Taliban fighters, and when asked if he had killed anyone, said, "Yeah, so, lots of people have." □



Prince Harry, left, greets a U.S. Army competitor before the start of the 10k Men's Handcycle race, at the 2013 Warrior Games, at the U.S. Air Force Academy, in Colorado, Sunday May 12, 2013. (AP Photo/Brennan Linsley)

Britain along with Olympic swimming champion Missy Franklin joined an American naval officer who had been blinded in Afghanistan in launching the Warrior Games for wounded service members.

Lt. Bradley Snyder, Harry and Franklin lifted a torch Saturday to ignite an Olympic-style cauldron, after completing the last leg of a brief torch relay at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs to formally start the games.

It was a touching start to the Paralympic-style games, which run through Thursday. About 260 athletes are competing in basketball, volleyball, shooting, archery, track and field and swimming — Snyder's sport.

Britain sent a 35-member team, and the prince met with the athletes earlier in the day. He also sat on a gymnasium floor in a circle of 12 sitting volleyball players, batting the ball around amid whoops and laughter.

Harry served as a combat helicopter in pilot in Afghanistan, and the British veterans said that makes him easy to talk to.

"He knows what it's like out there," said Army Capt. Dave Henson, a member

## Pope Francis gives church hundreds of new saints

**FRANCES D'EMILIO**

**Associated Press**

**VATICAN CITY (AP)** — Pope Francis on Sunday gave the Catholic Church new saints, including hundreds of 15th-century martyrs who were beheaded for refusing to convert to Islam, as he led his first canonization ceremony Sunday in a packed St. Peter's Square. The "Martyrs of Otranto" were 813 Italians who were slain in the southern Italian city in 1480 for defying demands by Turkish invaders who overran the citadel to renounce Christianity.

Their approval for sainthood was decided upon by Francis' predecessor, Benedict XVI, in a decree read at the ceremony in February where the former pontiff announced his retirement.

Shortly after his election in March, Francis called for more dialogue with Muslims, and it was unclear how the granting of sainthood to the martyrs would be received. Islam is a sensitive subject for the church, and Benedict stumbled significantly in his relations with the Muslim community.

The first pontiff from South

America also gave Colombia its first saint: a nun who toiled as a teacher and spiritual guide to indigenous people in the 20th century.

Francis prayed that "Colombia's peace process, attempted after decades-long conflict between rebels and government forces."

Francis prayed that "Co-

cia Zavala, a Mexican who dedicated herself to nursing the sick, helped Catholics avoid persecution during a government crackdown on the faith in



From left, the tapestries of Laura di Santa Caterina da Siena Montoya of Colombia, Antonio Primaldo and his companions, and Maria Guadalupe Garcia Zavala of Mexico, are displayed as Pope Francis leaves at the end of a canonization mass in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican, Sunday, May 12, 2013. (AP Photo/Gregorio Borgia)

With Colombia's President Juan Manuel Santos among the VIPs, the Argentine pope held out Laura of St. Catherine of Siena Montoya y Upegui as a potential source of

Colombia's beloved children continue to work for peace and just development of the country."

He also canonized another Latin American woman. Maria Guadalupe Gar-

the 1920s. Also known as Mother Lupita, she hid the Guadalajara archbishop in an eye clinic for more than a year after fearful local Catholic families refused to shelter him. □

# Two bodies found after standoff in New Jersey

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They found 38-year-old Gerald "Skip" Murphy in an upstairs bedroom, and he told them he was armed with a gun and explosives and had three children with him, Mercer County Prosecutor Joseph L. Bocchini Jr. said. Officers retreated from the second floor and rescued a 19-year-old man from the basement, who said he hadn't seen his mother or siblings since about April 24.

A SWAT team was called in, and an arson bomb unit also appeared on the scene. Police said Murphy could be seen from a window holding a black handgun. Police remained in contact with Murphy throughout the 37-hour-long standoff and passed food into the home through an upstairs window, state police Col. Rick Fuentes said. Murphy kept the captives with him inside the bedroom throughout the standoff, authorities said. Officers stormed the home at around 3:45 a.m. Sunday after noting Murphy's "deteriorating state of mind" and deciding it was necessary to enter to help ensure the captives survived, Fuentes said. An officer shot Murphy because

he was threatening one of the children, he said.

Murphy was taken to a hospital and later died of his injuries. No law enforcement personnel were injured during the standoff or the confrontation with Murphy. Authorities found the bodies of 44-year-old Carmelita Stevens and her teenage son in separate bedrooms. The woman's body was in

an advanced state of decomposition, and police said she appeared to have died two weeks ago.

Three of her children — an 18-year-old woman, a 16-year-old girl and a 4-year-old boy — were rescued and taken to a medical center for evaluation and treatment. Murphy had abused and assaulted the captives, Bocchini said.

Murphy and Stevens had been dating for a few months, and both lived in the house, police said. He was not the father of any of her children.

Authorities wouldn't comment on a possible motive or say how the victims died, citing the ongoing investigation. They also would not say whether any bombs or other explosives were re-

covered at the residence. Murphy had a long criminal history including convictions for aggravated assault and criminal conspiracy, Bocchini said. He had previously been arrested for robbery and weapons offenses and child endangerment. He also had an arrest warrant in Pennsylvania for failing to register as a sex offender. □



Investigators, some wearing protective clothing gather in Trenton, N.J., Sunday, May 12, 2013, near a home where Gerald "Skip" Tyrone Murphy, 38, a registered sex offender who barricaded himself for days in a home with his girlfriend's three children was shot to death as police rescued the captives and recovered the bodies of their mother and another sibling.

(AP Photo/Mel Evans)

# Review chairman: Clinton didn't make Benghazi call

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The Obama administration has tried to move past the controversy, but a steady drip of new information is fueling Republican claims that the government initially misled the public about the nature of the assault. The House Oversight and Government Reform Committee last week heard a riveting minute-by-minute account from a former top diplomat in Libya about the two nighttime attacks. Gregory Hicks, a former deputy chief of mission to Libya, detailed his phone conversations from Tripoli with Stevens. Hicks and two other State Department witnesses criticized the Pickering and

Mullen's review. Their complaints centered on a report they consider incomplete, with individuals who weren't interviewed and a focus on the assistant secretary level and lower.

The hearing produced no major revelation but renewed interest in the attacks that happened during the lead-up to the November 2012 presidential election.

The top Republican on the oversight committee, Rep. Darrell Issa, said he wants sworn depositions with Pickering and Mullen. Issa said his panel has not been provided sufficient details on the State Department review, such as a list of everyone the investigators in-

terviewed or a full transcript of those conversations.

"We want the facts. We're entitled to the facts. The American people were effectively lied to for a period of about a month," Issa said.

Republicans are insisting on exploring what happened at the consulate, what might be done to prevent future such attacks and what political calculations went into rewriting talking points the U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, Susan Rice, used on news shows the Sunday after the attack.

A series of emails that circulated between the State Department and the CIA led to weakened — and, in

some cases, wrong — language that Rice used to describe the assault during a series of five television interviews the Sunday after the attacks.

"I'd call it a cover-up," said Sen. John McCain, a Republican. "I would call it a cover-up in the extent that there was willful removal of information, which was obvious."

"I was surprised today that they did not probe Secretary Clinton in detail," Sen. Kelly Ayotte said, of the review board.

One Republican eyeing a White House run, Sen. Rand Paul, said at a public appearance that he thinks the Benghazi attack "precludes Hillary Clinton from

ever holding office."

Clinton's allies said Republicans were looking to weaken her ahead of a potential 2016 campaign.

"This has been caught up in the 2016 presidential campaign, this effort to go after Hillary Clinton," said Sen. Dick Durbin, a Democrat. "They want to bring her in because they think it's a good political show and I think that's unfortunate."

Pickering spoke with CNN's "State of the Union," NBC's "Meet the Press" and CBS' "Face the Nation." Issa and Feinstein spoke with NBC. McCain spoke to ABC's "This Week." Ayotte and Durbin were on CBS. Smith spoke to "Fox News Sunday." □

**Ohio:**

## Rescued women glad to be home; plead for privacy

**JOHN COYNE  
Associated Press**

**CLEVELAND (AP)** — Three women rescued from a house in Ohio a decade after they disappeared said Sunday that they are happy to be home and pleaded for privacy so they can heal and reconnect with their family.

An attorney for the women also said they are extremely grateful for the support of family, law enforcement and the community.

Amanda Berry, Gina DeJesus, and Michelle Knight remain in seclusion and released their first statements since they were found May 6 after Berry escaped and called police.

Ariel Castro is suspected of imprisoning the women inside his house for nine years or more, allowing them outside only a few moments, and raping them. A DNA test also confirmed that Castro fathered a

6-year-old girl who Berry gave birth to in the house. The girl escaped the house with Berry. Castro is being held on \$8 million

counts of rape.

The women, now in their 20s and 30s, vanished separately between 2002 and 2004. At the time, they



**A collection of celebratory balloons and stuffed animals crowds the entrance to the home of the sister of Amanda Berry, one of three women found alive in a house a few miles away after disappearing years earlier, in a west side Cleveland, Ohio neighborhood. Many people who dropped off balloons said they didn't know Berry personally but wanted to celebrate her safe return.**  
(AP Photo/Andrew Welsh-Huggins)

bond. The 52-year-old former school bus driver was charged with four counts of kidnapping and three

were 14, 16 and 20 years old. Attorney Jim Wooley read statements attributed to all three women.

Knight, who was the first to disappear and the last of the three released from the hospital, said, "Thank you to everyone for your support and good wishes. I am healthy, happy and safe and will reach out to family, friends and supporters in good time."

Berry added: "Thank you so much for everything you're doing and continue to do. I am so happy to be home with my family."

And DeJesus, the youngest of the three, said: "I am so happy to be home, and I want to thank everybody for all your prayers. I just want time now to be with my family." The Associated Press does not usually identify people who say they are victims of sexual assault, but the women's names were widely circulated by their families, friends and law enforcement authorities for years during their disap-

pearances and after they were found. The attorney for the women said none of them will do any media interviews until the criminal case against Castro is over. He also asked that they be given privacy.

"Give them the time, the space, and the privacy so that they can continue to get stronger," Wooley said. Castro was represented at his first court appearance Thursday by public defender Kathleen Demetz, who said she can't speak to his guilt or innocence and advised him not to give any media interviews that might jeopardize his case. Castro's two brothers, who were initially taken into custody but released Thursday after investigators said there was no evidence against them, told CNN that they fear people still believe they had something to do with the three missing women. □

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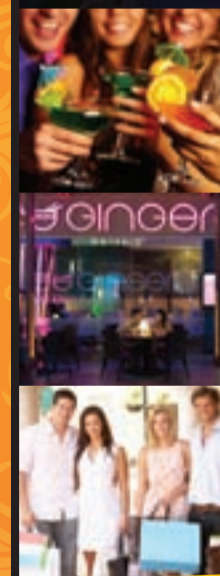
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## Mom: Accused boy, 12, 'could never' hurt sister

Associated Press

VALLEY SPRINGS, Calif. (AP)

— A day before a 12-year-old boy was arrested for the stabbing death of his 8-year-old sister, his mother described him as "protective" of his younger sibling. Leila Fowler's killing last month shook the quiet community of Valley Springs, southeast of Sacramento, and set off an intense manhunt. Her brother was in the home at the time and told police he saw a man run from the scene.

Days later, the boy appeared with his father and stepmother at a vigil for his sister. On Friday, as speculation in the community built that perhaps the boy was involved, his biological mother told Sacramento television station KQVR her son "could never hurt his sister."

"I've never seen him be mean to her," said Priscilla Rodriguez.

Less than a day later, police delivered the stunning news: The 12-year-old boy had been arrested and will be charged with homicide. For a community still reeling from the killing, the news was another blow.

"It's bad enough to lose a child. I can't imagine losing a child by one of my own children," Patti Campbell, a longtime area resident and owner of Campbell's Country Kitchen, told The Associated Press.

Campbell, a resident of the area for 33 years and the operator of the Valley Springs restaurant for 15 of them, said she had served Leila and her family in her restaurant.

"It's just shocking. I don't know what else to say," Campbell said.

Other residents expressed similar feelings of disbelief.

"I did not want to believe it. You kind of thought so, but it's not something you want to believe," resident Tammy Ainsworth told Sacramento's KCRA-TV.

Calaveras Unified School District Superintendent Mark Campbell said counselors will be available Monday at all schools.



Patrick Foley, head custodian at Jenny Lind Elementary School, puts up a sign about a candlelight vigil to for Leila Fowler, in Valley Springs, Calif. Leila Fowler's killing last month shook the quiet community of Valley Springs, southeast of Sacramento, and set off an intense manhunt. Her brother was in the home at the time and told police he saw a man run from the scene.

(AP Photo/Rich Pedroncelli)

The district "stands ready to provide whatever level of support and assistance is necessary to the Fowler family" and the community at large, he said Sunday. Police released no information about what led them to arrest the unidentified 12-year-old for the April 27 attack. Following the crime, investigators did a door-to-door sweep of homes, storage sheds and horse stables scattered across the oak-studded hills foothills of the Sierra Nevada. Divers also searched two nearby reservoirs in search of clues. Leila's brother told police he found his sister's body and encountered an intruder in the home while their parents were at a Little League game. He described the man as tall with long gray hair. A neighbor told detectives she saw a man flee the home, but she later recanted the story.

Police said there was no sign of a burglary or robbery. As part of the investigation, authorities seized several knives from the Fowler home, where Leila lived with her father, stepmother and siblings.

Calaveras County Sheriff Gary Kuntz said authorities spent more than 2,000 hours on the investigation before they arrested the boy at 5:10 p.m. Saturday. □

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# Plans to export US natural gas stir debate, renewing fracking frenzy

**Associated Press**

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — A domestic natural gas boom already has lowered U.S. energy prices while stoking fears of environmental disaster. Now U.S. producers are poised to ship vast quantities of gas overseas as energy companies seek permits for proposed export projects that could set off a renewed frenzy of the much-debated kind of drilling known as fracking. Expanded drilling is unlocking enormous reserves of crude oil and natural gas, offering the potential of

to huge stores of natural gas underneath states from Colorado to New York, but it also has raised widespread concerns about alleged groundwater contamination and even earthquakes. The drilling boom has helped boost U.S. natural gas production by one-third since 2005, with production reaching an all-time high of 25.3 trillion cubic feet last year, according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration. In recent months, however, production has be-

come facilities cost billions of dollars and take years to complete.

The prospect of a major expansion of U.S. gas exports has tantalized business groups and lawmakers from both main political parties, and they're urging the Obama administration to move faster to approve the projects as a way to create thousands of jobs and spur economic growth. Increased exports also would help offset the nation's enormous trade deficit.

But consumer groups and



**Energy Secretary nominee Ernest Moniz, of Massachusetts, testifies before a Senate Energy and Natural Resources committee on his nomination on Capitol Hill in Washington. During the hearing, Moniz hailed a "stunning increase" in natural gas production as nothing less than a "revolution" that has led to reduced emissions of carbon dioxide and other gases that cause global warming. (AP Photo/Manuel Balce Ceneta)**

moving the country closer to its decades-long quest for energy independence. Yet as the industry looks to profit from foreign markets, there is the specter of higher prices at home and increased manufacturing costs for products from plastics to fertilizers.

Companies such as Exxon Mobil and Semptra Energy are seeking federal permits for more than 20 export projects that could handle as much as 29 billion cubic feet of natural gas a day. If approved, the resulting export boom could lead to further increases in hydraulic fracturing, a drilling technique also known as fracking. It has allowed companies to gain access

gun to level off as the glut of natural gas keeps U.S. prices down. In response, producers have begun pushing to export the fuel to Europe and Asia, where prices are far higher.

Approval of all the projects currently under review by the Energy Department could result in the export of more than 40 percent of current U.S. production of liquefied natural gas, or LNG, which is gas that's been converted to liquid form to make it easier to store or transport.

U.S. officials also must consider competition from countries such as Canada and Australia, where new LNG export terminals also are being proposed. The

some manufacturers that use natural gas oppose expanded exports, saying they could drive up domestic prices and make manufacturing more expensive. Many environmental groups also oppose LNG exports because of fears that increased drilling could lead to environmental damage.

"Exporting natural gas will have serious implications for public health, the environment and climate change," said Michael Brune, executive director of the Sierra Club environmental group. "Building these terminals means lots of new fracking, and more fracking means more risks for Americans." □

# Senator says Obama should apologize over tax targeting

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Republican lawmakers said Sunday that the U.S. tax agency's heightened scrutiny of conservative political groups has further eroded public trust in government, and one prominent senator demanded that President Barack Obama personally apologize.

The Internal Revenue Service said Friday that it was sorry for what it called the "inappropriate" targeting of the conservative groups during the 2012 election to see if they were violating their tax-exempt status. The agency blamed low-level employees, saying no high-level officials were aware.

The revelation is heightening tensions in highly polarized Washington, even as Obama struggles to push through his ambitious second-term legislative agenda and faces renewed Republican criticism of his administration's handling of the deadly attack on the U.S. mission in Libya last year. Republicans challenged the IRS' blaming of low-level workers.

"I just don't buy that this was a couple of rogue IRS employees," said Sen. Susan Collins. "After all, groups with 'progressive' in their names were not targeted similarly." The IRS said employees had flagged groups with "Tea Party" or "Patriot" in their names for further review. Those names are associated with a deeply conservative national movement that has arisen in recent years. According to a draft of a watchdog's report obtained Saturday by The Associated Press that seemingly contradicts public statements by the IRS commissioner, senior IRS officials knew agents were targeting tea party groups as early as 2011.

The Treasury Department's inspector general for tax administration is expected to release the results of a nearly yearlong investigation in the coming week.

Lois G. Lerner, who heads the IRS division that over-

sees tax-exempt organizations, said last week that the practice was initiated by low-level workers in Cincinnati, Ohio, and was not motivated by political bias. But on June 29, 2011, Lerner learned at a meeting that groups were being targeted, according to the watchdog's report. At the meeting, she was told that groups with "Tea Party," "Patriot" or "9/12 Project" in their names were being flagged for additional and often burdensome scrutiny, the report says.

The 9/12 Project is a group started by conservative TV personality Glenn Beck.

Lerner instructed agents to change the criteria for flagging groups "immediately," the report says.

Collins said the revelations about the nation's tax agency only contribute to "the profound distrust that the American people have in government. It is absolutely chilling that the IRS was singling out conservative groups for extra review." She said she was disappointed that Obama "hasn't personally condemned this." The president, Collins said, "needs to make crystal clear that this is totally unacceptable." Rep. Mike Rogers, a Republican, said "the conclusion that the IRS came to is that they did have agents who were engaged in intimidation of political groups."

He added, "This should send a chill up your spine." Congressional Republicans already are conducting several investigations and asked for more.

"This mea culpa is not an honest one," said Republican Rep. Darrell Issa.

After the AP report Saturday, White House press secretary Jay Carney said that if the inspector general "finds that there were any rules broken or that conduct of government officials did not meet the standards required of them, the president expects that swift and appropriate steps will be taken to address any misconduct." □

# 19 hurt in Mother's Day shooting in New Orleans

CHEVEL JOHNSON

Associated Press

**NEW ORLEANS (AP)** — Gunmen opened fire on dozens of people marching in a Mother's Day second-line parade in New Orleans on Sunday, wounding at least 19 people, police said.

Police spokeswoman Remi Braden said that many of the 19 victims were grazed and most of the wounds weren't life-threatening, yet the incident left local residents feeling very uneasy and concerned for their safety. No deaths were reported.

FBI spokeswoman Mary Beth Romig said federal investigators have no indication that the shooting was an act of terrorism.

"It's strictly an act of street violence in New Orleans," she said. The southern city has one of the highest violent crime rates in the U.S.

Police Superintendent Ronal Serpas told reporters that a 10-year-old girl was grazed in the shooting around 2 p.m. She was in good condition. He said three or four people were in surgery, but he didn't have their conditions.

Officers were interspersed with the marchers, which is routine for such events. As many as 400 people

joined in the procession that stretched for about 3 blocks, though only half that many were in the immediate vicinity of the shooting, Serpas said.

hind a brass band. They can be impromptu or planned and are sometimes described as moving block parties.

A social club called The

The neighborhood where the shooting happened was a mix of low-income and middle-class row houses, some boarded up. As of last year, the neigh-

the second line were targeted, or if the shots were fired in a random fashion.

"We'll get them. We have good resources in this neighborhood," Serpas



**New Orleans Police investigate shooting at the intersection Frenchman Street at N. Villere on Mother's Day in New Orleans, Sunday May 12, 2013. Gunmen opened fire on dozens of people marching in a Mother's Day neighborhood parade in New Orleans on Sunday, wounding at least 19, police said.**

(AP Photo/Doug Parker)

Police saw three suspects running from the scene in the city's 7th Ward neighborhood. No arrests had been made as of late afternoon.

Second-line parades are loose processions in which people dance down the street, often following be-

Original Big 7 organized Sunday's event. The group was founded in 1996 at the Saint Bernard housing projects, according to its MySpace page.

borhood's population was about 60 percent of its pre-Hurricane Katrina level.

Police vowed to make swift arrests. Serpas said it wasn't clear if particular people in

said.

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## Pakistan's Sharif wins resounding election victory

**ASIF SHAHZAD**  
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**Associated Press**  
**LAHORE, Pakistan (AP)** — Former Pakistani Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif looked poised Sunday to return to

try's daunting problems, including growing power outages, weak economic growth and shaky government finances. Questions remain, however, about Sharif's stance

because it hasn't cracked down on militant groups in its stronghold of Punjab province. That could be a concern for the United States, which has pushed Pakistan for

ing cross-border attacks against American troops in Afghanistan.

As unofficial returns rolled in Sunday, a day after the election, state TV estimates put Sharif close to the majority in the national assembly needed to govern outright for the next five years. Even if he falls short of that threshold, independent candidates almost certain to swing in Sharif's favor would give his Pakistan Muslim League-N party a ruling majority.

That would put the 63-year-old Sharif in a much stronger position than the outgoing Pakistan People's Party, which ruled for five years with a weak coalition that was often on the verge of collapse.

Pakistan suffers from a growing energy crisis, with some areas experiencing power outages for up to 18 hours a day. That has seriously hurt the economy, pushing growth below 4 percent a year. The country needs a growth rate of twice that to provide jobs for its expanding population of 180 million.

Ballooning energy sub-

sidies and payments to keep failing public enterprises afloat have steadily eaten away at the government's finances, forcing the country to seek another unpopular bailout from the International Monetary Fund. Pakistan also has an ineffective tax system, depriving the government of funds.

Sharif, the son of a wealthy industrialist, is seen by many as more likely to tackle the country's economic problems effectively because much of his party's support comes from businessmen. He is also expected to push for better relations with Pakistan's archenemy and neighbor India, which could help the economy. The Pakistan People's Party was widely perceived to have done little on the economic front.

"Anything better than zero and you have already improved on the PPP's performance in terms of managing the economy," said Cyril Almeida, a columnist for Pakistan's Dawn newspaper. The former ruling party was soundly beaten in Saturday's election. □



**Former Prime Minister and leader of the Pakistan Muslim League-N party Nawaz Sharif waves to his supporters at a party office in Lahore, Pakistan, Saturday, May 11, 2013. Sharif declared victory following a historic election marred by violence Saturday, as unofficial, partial vote counts showed his party with an overwhelming lead. (AP Photo/K.M. Chaudary)**

office with a resounding election victory — a mandate that could make it easier to tackle the coun-

on another key issue: violent Islamic extremism. Critics have accused his party of being soft on radicals

years to take stronger action against a variety of Islamic militant groups, especially fighters stag-

## Exit polls see no clear winner in Bulgarian vote

**VESELIN TOSHKOV**  
**Associated Press**  
**SOFIA, Bulgaria (AP)** — Bulgaria's center-right party and its main challenger, the Socialists, finished first and second in Sunday's parliamentary election, with neither one winning a majority needed to form a government, two exit polls indicated. If that outcome is confirmed, it could lead to more political and economic instability in this financially strapped Balkan nation. That was clear late Sunday when dozens of angry peo-

ple clashed with police in front of the election press center where party leaders arrived for post-election news conferences. Disappointed with the election results and accusing the politicians with vote rigging, the protesters shouted "Mafia" and tried to storm the building but were stopped by police in riot gear who cordoned off the area. Some 6.9 million eligible voters chose among candidates from 36 parties. But voter apathy was widespread, and allegations of vote fraud and an ille-

gal wiretapping scandal marred the campaign. The Alpha Research exit poll said former Prime Minister Boiko Borisov's GERB party won 30.1 percent of the votes, with the Socialists second at 26.1 percent. A separate exit poll by Sova Harris said Borisov's party won 31.2 percent of the vote, with the Socialists receiving 25.7 percent. Official results are expected on Monday. Parties have to win at least 4 percent of the votes to get seats in 240-seat Parliament, and three parties in addition to GERB and the

Socialists are expected to do that. That could make forming a coalition government difficult. "I expect the country will soon head to another election," said Anton Todorov, a political analyst. His colleague Ognian Minchev agreed, saying he sees "a risk of a hung parliament." Bulgaria has been led by a caretaker government since February, when Borisov, who guided his Citizens for Bulgaria's European Development party — widely known as GERB — to victory in 2009, resigned as prime minister amid

sometimes violent protests against poverty, high utility bills and corruption. The ex-ruling party has seen its reputation tarnished further since prosecutors alleged that former Interior Minister Tsvetan Tsvetanov was responsible for illegally eavesdropping on political opponents during his term. The scandal deepened as wiretaps leaked in the media revealed that Borisov allegedly had summoned Sofia's chief prosecutor to discuss details of the bribery probe, leading to suspicions of government interference. □

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# Turkey vows it won't be drawn into Syria conflict

SUZAN FRASER

**ANKARA, Turkey (AP)** — Turkey's prime minister vowed Sunday his country won't be drawn into Syria's civil war, despite twin car bombings the government believes were carried out by a group of Turks with close ties to pro-government groups in Syria.

The bombings left 46 people dead and marked the biggest incident of violence across the border since the start of Syria's bloody civil war, raising fears of Turkey being pulled deeper into a conflict that threatens to destabilize the region.

Syria has rejected allegations it was behind the attacks.

But Turkish authorities said Sunday they had detained nine Turkish citizens with links to the Syrian intelligence agency in connection with the bombings in the border town of Reyhanli, a hub for Syrian refugees and rebels just across from Syria's Idlib province. Harsh accusations have flown between Turkey and Syria, signaling a sharp escalation of already high tensions between the two former allies. But Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan suggested that Turkey would not be drawn militarily in retaliation.

He insisted Turkey would "maintain our extreme cool-headedness in the face of efforts and provocations to drag us into the bloody quagmire."

"Those who target Turkey will be held to account sooner or later," he said. "Great states retaliate more powerfully, but when the time is right... We are taking our steps in a cool-headed manner."

Turkish Foreign Minister Ah-

met Davutoglu told reporters in Berlin those detained were linked to a Marxist terrorist group.

Sabah, a Turkish newspaper close to the government, reported Sunday that authorities suspect the leader of a former Marxist group, Mirhac Ural, now

believed to be based in Syria, may have revived his group and ordered the attack.

The group, Acilciler, was one of many Marxist groups active in Turkey through the 1970s and 1980s, and was long-rumored to have been formed by the Syrian

intelligence agency. Many of its militants allegedly included ethnic Arab Turks belonging to a sect close to Syria's Alawites.

"Some believe that now that relations (with Turkey) have deteriorated again, Syria may have reactivated the group to cause tur-

moil in Turkey," said Nihat Ali Ozcan, a terrorism expert at the Ankara-based Economic Policy Research Foundation of Turkey.

Guler said a ringleader was among those detained, and more arrests were expected.

"We have determined that some of them were involved in the planning, in the exploration and in the hiding of the vehicles," he said.

Saturday's twin bombings 15 minutes apart damaged some 735 businesses and 120 apartments, leaving smoking hulks of buildings and charred cars. It also wounded dozens of people, including 50 who remained hospitalized Sunday.

Syria and Turkey became adversaries early on during the uprising against Syrian President Bashar Assad that erupted in March 2011. Since then, Turkey has firmly sided with the Syrian opposition, hosting its leaders along with rebel commanders and providing refuge to hundreds of thousands of Syrian refugees. □



**Pallbearers carry the coffin of Fehmi Karaca, 69, a shop owner and one of 46 victims killed in Saturday explosions for burial in Reyhanli, near Turkey's border with Syria, Sunday, May 12, 2013. The bombings marked the biggest incident of cross-border violence since the start of Syria's bloody civil war and have raised fear of Turkey being pulled deeper into the conflict.**

(AP Photo/Burhan Ozbilici)

## Afghanistan says Iranian guards killed 10 migrants

RAHIM FAIEZ

Associated Press

**KABUL, Afghanistan (AP)**

— Iranian border guards killed 10 Afghan migrants and wounded another eight when hundreds tried to illegally cross into Iran in search of work, Afghanistan's Interior Ministry said Sunday. Iran denied that. Details of the incident Friday in Afghanistan's northwestern Farah province have been sketchy and often contradictory. An Interior Ministry statement said 300 Afghan laborers tried

to cross into Iran illegally, looking for work. Iranian border guards opened fire, killing 10, it said. The ministry also blamed its own border guards for allowing the laborers to cross, though they had neither visas nor passports. Two Afghan border guards were dismissed and could face charges of neglect of duty, the ministry said. In Tehran, Iran's chief of border guards, Gen. Hamid Sharafi, denied there was any shooting at Afghan migrants, according to Iran's semi-official ISNA

news agency.

"Such a report is not right. We do not confirm it based on our investigations," Sharafi said. Several wounded laborers who arrived at the Farah district hospital for treatment also reported dead compatriots and said as many as 21 laborers were taken away by the Iranian border guards, said Abdul Rahman Zhawandai, a spokesman for the Farah provincial governor.

On Saturday, Afghan Foreign Minister Zalmai Rasoul

called the Iranian ambassador to Afghanistan to lodge a complaint and to seek more details about the incident, said Foreign Ministry spokesman Janan Mosazai. "We are following this issue very seriously through our embassy in Tehran," Mosazai told reporters Sunday. While admitting that the migrants were trying to enter Iran illegally, he said "the reaction of Iran should have been a civilian reaction, not a military" one — a reference to the shooting. □



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## British fugitive caught sunbathing poolside in Spain

**HAROLD HECKLE**  
**Associated Press**

**MADRID (AP)** — Spanish police snuck up on a British fugitive as he sunbathed, arresting him in a dramatic raid that even saw the suspect leap onto the roof of a nearby outhouse to try to get away.

The arrest of Andrew Terence Moran, 31, on Friday came some four years after he assaulted and escaped from security guards during an armed robbery trial in the United Kingdom.

Moran was found at a luxury villa in Calpe, a resort on the Alicante coast, bordering the Mediterranean Sea, an Interior Ministry statement said Sunday.

Police video footage showed how officers stealthily approached a

swimming pool while hiding behind walls before pouncing on Moran as he relaxed in red swimming trunks.

As soon as police jumped over the walls, Moran tried to flee, leaping onto the tiled roof of a pool-side outhouse before being captured.

According to Britain's Serious Organized Crime Agency, police also seized two handguns, 60 rounds of ammunition and a machete.

"Moran thought he could evade capture fleeing to Spain, frequently changing his appearance and using false identities," said Matt Burton, SOCA's head of investigations.

Moran and an associate, Stephen Devalda, 29,



**In this photo released Sunday May 12, 2013, by the Spanish National Police and British Serious Organised Crime Agency (SOCA), showing the moment British fugitive Andrew Moran is arrested Friday May 10, 2013, as he relaxed next to the pool of a luxury villa in Alicante, Spain.(AP Photo)**

were accused of stealing 25,000 pounds (US\$38,400) from a mail van in Colne, northwest England, using a handgun, machete and baseball bat. A security guard was injured in the May 2005 robbery.

During his escape from

custody in 2009, Moran assaulted four security guards and vaulted over the courtroom dock. He was convicted in his absence of conspiracy to commit armed robbery.

Alerted to his presence near the Mediterranean

coast, Spanish police tracked him down last November. However, Moran managed to get away after using his vehicle to ram two belonging to the police and driving off at high speed on the wrong side of a highway. □



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### Mexico:

## 2 Spanish businessmen found dead in Sinaloa

**CULIACAN, Mexico (AP)**

— Police reported Sunday that on Saturday they found the bodies of two Spanish businessmen in a car dumped in a canal in the Mexican state of Sinaloa. The men were handcuffed and had been shot.

The prosecutor's office said the victims were 57-year-old Fernando Carmona and 58-year-old Jose Montoya, both natives of Spain who had been living in Guadalajara, Mexico.

Prosecutor Julio Cesar Romanillo said the two men went missing a week ago after they left a hotel in Culiacan, the capital of

Sinaloa, to visit a couple of nearby towns. Authorities said the businessmen sold clothing for a living and were in Sinaloa to sell jackets.

A sister of one of the businessmen filed a missing person report when the men didn't return.

Their bodies were found in the backseat of a sedan in the town of El Limon de los Ramos, 12 miles (19 kilometers) north of Culiacan. Passers-by spotted the rear bumper of the car, which the men had rented in Guadalajara, sticking out of the canal.

The Spanish Embassy in Mexico could not be

reached for comment. Sinaloa authorities said the bodies were identified by family members.

Sinaloa is home to Mexico's most powerful drug cartel, headed by the country's most wanted man, Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman. Gangs often abandon their victims in cars after killing them, but authorities have not said whether this attack was drug related.

Authorities also announced this week that armed men ambushed a police chief in the northern part of Sinaloa. He survived but three of the gunmen and a police officer died in the attack. □



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## Egypt's Mubarak talks for 1st time since detention

SARAH EL DEEB  
Associated Press

**CAIRO (AP)** — In his first comments to the media since he was detained more than two years ago, Egypt's ousted leader Hosni Mubarak said he

sociated Press to Mubarak's lawyer Farid ElDeeb went unanswered, but he was quoted as telling Ahram Online, the electronic version of the state-owned Al-Ahram, that the interview was a "fabrica-

comments to the privately owned Egyptian paper published Sunday, Mubarak appeared to be gloating, painting a picture of a nation that has unraveled following his 2011 ouster and portraying himself as a protector of the poor.

Mubarak stepped down in February 2011 in the face of a wave of popular protests whose main slogan was "Bread, Freedom and Social Justice." Protesters accused Mubarak of fostering a culture where power was centralized and police acted with impunity. They also believed Mubarak was grooming one

of his sons to succeed him. Mubarak's comments to Al-Watan also appeared to be addressing a growing segment of the population which has grown nostalgic for Mubarak's days amid continuing turmoil in the two years since his ouster. The country has been plagued by tenuous security and an enduring standoff between Morsi's Brotherhood and its Islamist allies and the largely secular opposition, which launched the 2011 revolt but failed to make political gains since. Mubarak told the newspaper reporter he was "very, very sad" for improv-

erished Egyptians. He said he was also dismayed by the state of the economy, the industrial cities built during his nearly 30 years in office, and the country's lack of security. The comments were Mubarak's first to be directly made to a reporter since his ouster, and his first public statements since his captivity. They came after a hearing in his retrial for his role in the killing over 800 protesters during the popular uprising. At the trial, Mubarak appeared in the dock on a hospital gurney, alongside his two sons. The trial was adjourned for June 8. □



Egypt's deposed President Hosni Mubarak attends a hearing session in his retrial on appeal in Cairo, Egypt.  
(AP Photo/Ahmed Gomaa)

is dismayed at the country's state of affairs and particularly the plight of the poor. The 85-year old Mubarak said in remarks published Sunday in Al-Watan newspaper that it is also too early to judge his elected successor, Islamist President Mohammed Morsi, because he has a heavy burden to deal with. He also warned against a much-negotiated loan from the International Monetary Fund, saying it would make life harder for the poor in Egypt, where over 40 percent of the population lives on less than \$2 a day.

The authenticity of the interview could not be immediately verified. Calls by The As-

tion."

Al-Watan's reporter, Mohamed el-Sheik, took photos of himself near and inside Mubarak's medical helicopter, without the ex-leader inside. El-Sheik said he conducted the interview after sneaking into a waiting area where Mubarak was held during his trial Saturday, apparently before the hearing began.

He also told the private ONTV station Sunday that he couldn't record the interview because he had to avoid Mubarak's tight security.

Mubarak has been a longtime nemesis of the Muslim Brotherhood, the Islamist group from which Morsi hails. In his

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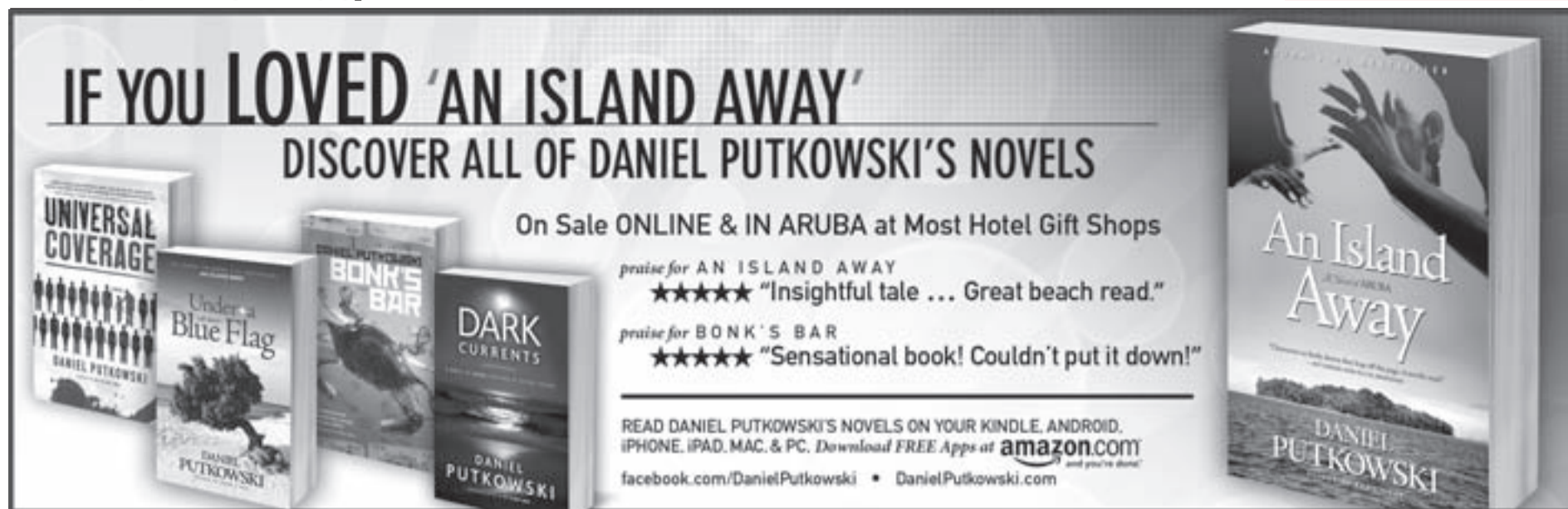
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## Venezuela: ICC asked to investigate alleged abuse

**FABIOLA SANCHEZ**  
**Associated Press**

**CARACAS, Venezuela (AP)**

— A Venezuelan civil rights group has asked the International Criminal Court to investigate alleged physical and psychological abuse of detained young

The alleged abuses occurred April 15-16 in the cities of Valencia, Barinas and Barquisimeto and included forcing detainees to sing pro-government songs, dousing them with urine and beating them "multiple times with frozen

election win on April 14. Capriles claims Maduro won through fraud and thousands of his supporters protested in the streets in several cities after the election.

The government says at least nine of its supporters



**Opposition protesters holds up a poster of Venezuela's President Nicolas Maduro that reads in Spanish "I don't accept it, illegitimate," referring to his winning the presidential election, and bang pots during an opposition march in Caracas, Venezuela. (AP Photo/Fernando Llano)**

protesters at military bases following last month's disputed presidential election. Nearly 200 people, most aged between 15 and 22, were arrested during the street protests and some were subjected to "inhuman and degrading treatment, and even forms of torture,"

says the complaint filed by Foro Penal Venezolano at the Hague-based court on Wednesday.

water bottles," according to the complaint.

It says some female detainees were "forced to strip naked in front of other prisoners and male soldiers." The Defense Ministry and the Attorney General's office didn't return calls seeking comment Friday.

Tensions are high in Venezuela, with President Nicolas Maduro and opposition leader Henrique Capriles trading bitter accusations after Maduro's narrow

were killed in attacks by opposition supporters and dozens were injured.

It also claims opposition supporters damaged government offices and Cuban-run neighborhood medical clinics.

The opposition vehemently denies the accusations. Foro Penal Venezolano is comprised of more than 200 lawyers who represent what its coordinator, Alfredo Romero, calls political prisoners. □

## CARIBBEAN BRIEFS

### Nassau probes fatal shooting of US man

NASSAU, Bahamas (AP) — Bahamian police are investigating the killing of an American man who was working on a sailboat passing through the capital of the island chain.

Police Supt. Paul Rolle says the man was shot in the neck on a Nassau street during a robbery early Sunday. He says one person is in custody and detectives are searching for two others.

Police have not disclosed the slain man's identity. But sailboat captain Chris Shaw identifies him as Kyle Brauner.

Shaw says Brauner was 34 and from Chicago. He was a mate on Shaw's boat, the Liberty Clipper.

A police report says the victim was with three people when they were approached by gunmen. Rolle says the man was shot when he apparently tried to stop them from stealing a woman's jewelry.

### Corpses removed from flooded graves

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) — Authorities in Puerto Rico have removed at least 59 corpses from a flooded cemetery in the central mountain town of Lares as heavy rains continue to pelt the U.S. territory.

Gov. Alejandro Garcia Padilla said Saturday that ongoing downpours have exposed caskets and caused small landslides in the area. He signed an executive order to activate the National Guard to help with the situation.

Emergency management director Miguel Rios said authorities plan to remove another 50 corpses by the end of the day. He said new burial spots will be found for the more than 100 corpses.

Garcia said the Institute of Forensic Science has sent a refrigerated truck to Lares to help prevent the bodies from decomposing further.

### Castro daughter leads gay rights march

HAVANA (AP) — About 500 people have marched through the Cuban capital to the rhythm of conga drums in an early celebration of the international day against homophobia.

President Raul Castro's daughter Mariela led Saturday's procession of gays and their supporters, some of whom chanted "Homophobia no! Socialism yes!"

She's head of the National Sexual Education Center and a leading campaigner for gay rights in Cuba, where the government persecuted homosexuals, especially in the 1960s. She says she's optimistic that the communist nation will eventually legalize gay marriage, but says "What is most complicated is the time it takes to overcome prejudices." □



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Serena Williams from U.S. holds her trophy during the awards ceremony after winning the final of the Madrid Open tennis tournament against Maria Sharapova from Russia, in Madrid Sunday, May 12, 2013. Associated Press

## Serena & Rafa win in Madrid

JOSEPH WILSON  
Associated Press

**MADRID (AP)** — Serena Williams kept the No. 1, and added No. 50.

Williams beat Maria Sharapova 6-1, 6-4 in the final of the Madrid Open Sunday to retain her No. 1 ranking and collect her 50th career title, while Rafael Nadal saw off Stanislas Wawrinka 6-2, 6-4 for his fifth title since returning from a knee injury.

The second-ranked Sharapova would have taken the top ranking with a win, but Williams stormed to an early lead as Sharapova struggled with her serve.

Despite Sharapova briefly recovering her poise in the second set, Williams' form never dipped as she defended her title.

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# UH OH, SERGIO!



*Tiger Woods claims victory in Players Championship*

Tiger Woods raises The Players championship golf tournament trophy at TPC Sawgrass, Sunday, May 12, 2013, in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.

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## Madrid

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"It feels good," Williams said of winning her 50th title. "I don't know how many more I can win. Who knows if I will ever win another title? I just want to live the dream. Hopefully, I can keep it going."

"When you first start out everything is so exciting. Now I expect to win."

Williams improved her record against Sharapova to 13-2, with her only two losses coming in 2004.

The 31-year-old Williams, playing in her first red clay final since 2002, dominated Sharapova from the start as the Russian never managed to steady her erratic serve.

"I started the match really slow and against an opponent like her you can't give her that," said Sharapova, who had won her previous seven red-clay finals. "I wasn't reacting well. I wasn't moving well. Not only the double faults I made, I didn't have a lot of great first serves in. She was really stepping up."

Sharapova committed five double faults in her first three service games, dropping the first two as Williams eased to a one-set lead. Her shaky serve let Williams



**Rafael Nadal from Spain falls to the ground in celebration after winning the final of the Madrid Open tennis tournament against Stanislas Wawrinka from Switzerland, in Madrid Sunday, May 12, 2013.**

gear up and land several winning shots before closing out the first set with a floating return that clipped the line.

Sharapova earned and converted her first break point to begin the second set, opening up a 3-1 advantage.

But the former No. 1-ranked player's serve again betrayed her as she hit another double fault, and Williams' precise groundstrokes set up three break points to hit right back.

Williams closed out the final after Sharapova recorded her eighth and final double fault before sending the ball long to give up her fifth service game.

Last year, Williams won here on the experimental blue clay surface that was removed after complaints from players that it was too slick.

Williams said the move back to red clay meant the tournament was a good warm-up for the French Open starting at the end of

the month.

"This court is definitely different," she said. "It plays like Roland Garros and that is a plus. So I think it is great preparation."

Cheered on by the home crowd at the Caja Magica, the fifth-ranked Nadal cruised to his 55th career title and extended his head-to-head record with Wawrinka to 9-0.

Nadal flopped on his back and screamed in joy when his Swiss opponent's final volley fell long to end the

match.

It was Nadal's seventh straight final since coming back from a nagging case of tendinitis in his left knee that sidelined him for seven months.

"I'm very happy and maybe this victory is even more special considering how complicated this year has been," said Nadal. "This tournament couldn't have gone better for me."

"I think this was my best match of the tournament. This was perhaps the match where I was the most aggressive."

Nadal imposed his ground game from the start. He worked his opponent around the court and punished him with passing shots when he tried to come forward.

The local favorite set the tone in the first game by breaking Wawrinka with a vicious flick to land the ball on the sideline.

Nadal, who had won here in 2005 and 2010, roared out to a 4-0 lead in 20 minutes. The 15th-ranked Wawrinka settled down in the second set and was able to take Nadal's service game to deuce. But Nadal returned two line-drive shots by Wawrinka at the net before he fired the third try long. Nadal then drove in an ace to end Wawrinka's challenge. □



**Maxim Belkov of Russia holds up his country's flag as he celebrates on the podium after winning the 9th stage of the Giro d'Italia, Tour of Italy cycling race, from Sansepolcro to Florence, Sunday, May 12, 2013.**

Associated Press

## Belkov wins 9th Giro stage with long solo escape

**FLORENCE, Italy (AP)** — Maxim Belkov of Russia won the ninth stage of the Giro d'Italia on Sunday with a superb solo performance, and Vincenzo Nibali retained the overall lead.

Belkov, who rides for Katusha, won in a time of 4 hours, 31 minutes, 31 seconds, beating Carlos Betancur by 44 seconds following a long solo escape on the wet and hilly 170-kilometer (106-mile) ride from

San Sepolcro to Florence. Jarlinson Pantano was third, 46 seconds behind Belkov. Belkov attacked 50 kilometers (31 miles) from the finish and maintained his advantage for his first Grand Tour stage victory.

"I'm so happy I won this stage, my first as a pro if we exclude the team time trial," Belkov said. "I would like to dedicate it to the Katusha project. From this morning on the bus I realized it

was a perfect stage for my characteristics. Moreover, I live next to here, in Prato, so I know these roads."

"I'm thrilled I won this stage. Katusha is proving to be a really strong team here in the Giro. It's the second win,

we kept the jersey for five days, and we want to continue like this in order to take some other great results. Yesterday I didn't do a great job. □

# Woods keeps it dry and wins Players Championship



Tiger Woods holds the trophy after winning The Players Championship golf tournament at TPC Sawgrass, Sunday, May 12, 2013, in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.

Associated Press

## DOUG FERGUSON

AP Golf Writer

**PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Florida (AP)** — Tiger Woods had the last word against Sergio Garcia by winning The Players Championship on Sunday.

Woods ended a weekend of heated words with Garcia by doing what he does best — closing out tournaments, even if he let this one turn into a tense duel over the final hour at the TPC Sawgrass.

Tied with Garcia with two holes to play, Woods won by finding land on the last two holes for par to close with a 2-under 70.

If only it were that simple for the Spaniard.

Garcia was standing on the 17th tee shot, staring across the water to an island as Woods made his par. He took aim at the flag with his wedge and hung his head when he saw the ball splash down short of the green.

Then, Garcia hit another

one in the water on his way to a quadruple-bogey 7. He completed his stunning collapse by hitting his tee shot into the water on the 18th and making double bogey.

Woods was in the scoring trailer when he watched on TV as Swedish rookie David Lingmerth missed a long birdie putt that would have forced a playoff. It raced by the cup, and Lingmerth three-putted for bogey.

"How about that?" Woods said to his caddie, Joe LaCava as he gave him a hug.

Woods won The Players for the first time since 2001 and joined Fred Couples, Davis Love III and Steve Elkington as the only two-time winners at the TPC Sawgrass. It was his 78th career win on the PGA Tour, four short of the record held by Sam Snead.

Lingmerth closed with a 72 and finished two shots behind along with Kevin

Streelman (67) and Jeff Maggert, who also was tied for the lead until finding the water on the 17th to make double bogey. The 49-year-old Maggert birdied the 18th for a 70.

Garcia took 13 shots to cover the final two holes — 6-over par — and tumbled into a tie for eighth.

Woods made this drama possible by hooking his tee shot into the water on the 14th hole and making a double bogey, dropping him into a four-way tie with Garcia, Maggert and Lingmerth. The final two holes came down to Garcia and Woods, most appropriate given their public sniping

at each other this weekend.

It started Saturday when Garcia complained in a TV interview that his shot from the par-5 second fairway was disrupted by cheers from the crowd around Woods, who was some 50 yards away in the trees and fired them up by taking a fairway metal out of his bag.

He said Woods should have been paying attention, and it became a war of the words the next two days.

"Not real surprising that he's complaining about something," Woods said.

"At least I'm true to my-

self," Garcia retorted. "I know what I'm doing, and he can do whatever he wants."

When they finished the storm-delayed third round Sunday morning, Garcia kept at it, saying that Woods is "not the nicest guy on tour."

Woods had the last laugh. He had the trophy.

Garcia, when asked if he would have changed anything about the flap with Woods, replied,

"It sounds like I was the bad guy here. I was the victim."

The real villain was the infamous 17th hole, which knocked out Garcia and Maggert. □

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# Giants hit 3 HRs to back Lincecum, beat Braves 5-1

**The Associated Press**

**SAN FRANCISCO (AP)** —

Pablo Sandoval splashed a home run into McCovey Cove to back Tim Lincecum's strong pitching performance as the San Francisco Giants beat the Atlanta Braves 5-1 on Sunday to wrap up a 7-3 homestand.

Brandon Belt and Marco Scutaro also homered for the Giants. Lincecum (3-2) struck out seven in seven scoreless innings to end a three-start winless stretch in which he went 0-2. He also stopped a four-start skid against Atlanta, beating the Braves for the first time since April 11, 2010.

Gregor Blanco had an RBI double for the Giants, who won a home series against the NL East for the first time since April last year. Atlanta dropped its third straight since taking the series opener — outscored 23-4 over the final three games. Kris Medlen (1-5) lost his fourth straight decision. He is winless in six outings since his lone victory his first time out this year, April 4 against the Phillies.

**ROCKIES 8, CARDINALS 2**

**ST. LOUIS (AP)** — Jorge De

La Rosa held St. Louis hitless into the seventh and Troy Tulowitzki's three-run homer ended Colorado's scoreless streak at 28 innings.

De La Rosa did not allow a hit until David Freese's two-out single in the seventh, answering a pair of pitching gems by St. Louis over the weekend.

Charlie Blackmon added a two-run homer off Jaime Garcia (4-2) for the Rockies, who snapped a four-game skid.

They finished with 11 hits after totaling three in consecutive shutout losses to rookie Shelby Miller and Adam Wainwright.

The Cardinals lost for just the second time in 11 games. Pinch-hitter Matt Adams' RBI single off Matt Belisle in a two-run ninth ended Colorado's bid for a shutout.

De La Rosa (4-3) struck out seven and allowed two hits in seven innings.

**PHILLIES 4, DIAMONDBACKS 2, 10 INNINGS**

**PHOENIX (AP)** — Ryan How-



**San Francisco Giants' Pablo Sandoval hits a solo home run against Atlanta Braves starting pitcher Kris Medlen during the third inning of a baseball game in San Francisco, Sunday, May 12, 2013.**

**Associated Press**

ard looped a two-run single to right field in the 10th inning after Philadelphia scored twice in the ninth to tie it against Arizona.

Shut down by Brandon McCarthy for the first eight innings, the Phillies rallied on Delmon Young's run-scoring double and Domonic Brown's RBI single off fill-in Diamondbacks closer Heath Bell. Philadelphia had 15 hits to salvage a series split after losing the first two games.

Jimmy Rollins singled with one out in the 10th off Matt Reynolds (0-1), and Chase Utley followed with a double for his fourth hit. Hitless with nine strikeouts in his previous 18 at-bats, Howard floated a single over Arizona's drawn-in infield.

Justin De Fratus (1-0) got one out for his second career victory and Jonathan Papelbon earned his seventh save.

Gerardo Parra hit a leadoff homer against Phillies starter Kyle Kendrick.

**PIRATES 3, METS 2**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Pedro Alvarez hit a tiebreaking single in the eighth inning

against New York's overworked bullpen as Pittsburgh got a most fortunate bounce in beating the Mets.

Clint Barmes homered and Jeanmar Gomez left with a lead against young ace Matt Harvey in the Pirates' third straight victory in this four-game series. Pittsburgh improved to 6-13 at Citi Field.

With runners at second and third in the eighth, Lucas Duda hit a sharp grounder that struck first base and shot straight up in the air. Pirates second baseman Brandon Inge fielded the ball and tossed to reliever Mark Melancon covering first for the final out of the inning.

Jason Grilli pitched a perfect ninth for his 15th straight save to start the season.

Justin Wilson (3-0) got the win despite allowing Mike Baxter's tying single in the seventh. Scott Rice (1-2) took the loss.

**REDS 5, BREWERS 1**

**CINCINNATI (AP)** — Don Lutz hit his first career home run, a three-run drive off

the right-field foul pole in the second inning that led Cincinnati over Milwaukee for a three-game sweep.

Lutz, who made his big league debut on April 29, homered off Wily Peralta (3-3). Pinch-hitter Xavier Paul went deep in the seventh, sending the Brewers to their fourth straight loss and ninth in 10 games.

Bronson Arroyo (3-4) ended a four-start winless streak, allowing five hits in 6 2-3 scoreless innings with one walk and five strikeouts. He had been 0-3 since beating Philadelphia on April 15. Dusty Baker got his 1,603rd win as a manager, moving past Hall of Famer Fred Clarke into sole possession of 17th place on baseball's career list. He is 16 behind Ralph Houk.

**CUBS 2, NATIONALS 1**

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Alfonso Soriano scored the tiebreaking run in the ninth inning on a throwing error by catcher Kurt Suzuki as Chicago rallied to beat Washington.

The Cubs didn't have a baserunner through the first five innings against Gio

Gonzalez and trailed 1-0 entering the eighth before coming back in the deciding matchup of a three-game series.

Facing closer Rafael Soriano (0-1) in the ninth, Alfonso Soriano singled and went to second on a single by Julio Borbon. After Ryan Sweeney struck out, both runners took off on a double steal.

Suzuki's throw hit Welington Castillo's bat. The ball veered well to the left of third base and into foul ground, allowing Alfonso Soriano to scoot home.

Starlin Castro tied it in the eighth with a two-out single off Drew Storen.

James Russell (1-0) worked an inning and Kevin Gregg got three outs for his sixth save.

**DODGERS 5, MARLINS 3**

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — Chris

Capuano pitched effectively into the seventh inning and Scott Van Slyke homered to lead Los Angeles over Miami.

Capuano (1-2) allowed a run and five hits in 6 1-3 innings with seven strikeouts and one walk. Brandon League gave up a two-run double to Adeiny Hechavarria in the ninth.

The Dodgers, who ended an eight-game slide Saturday night, took two of three in the series.

They remain last in the NL West with a 15-21 record and trail division-leading San Francisco by seven games.

Marlins rookie Tom Koehler (0-1) went five innings in his second big league start and first this season, yielding two runs and seven hits. Justin Ruggiano homered for Miami.

Van Slyke, recalled from the minors Friday, also had an RBI single. Matt Kemp extended his hitting streak to 11 games and got his 1,000th career hit.

In other NL games it was Cincinnati 5, Milwaukee 1; Pittsburgh 3, N.Y. Mets 2; Chicago Cubs 2, Washington 1; Tampa Bay 4, San Diego 2; Colorado 8, St. Louis 2; San Francisco 5, Atlanta 1; L.A. Dodgers 5, Miami 3; and Philadelphia 4, Arizona 2, 10 innings. □



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## Warriors beat Spurs 97-87 in OT, level series 2-2

**ANTONIO GONZALEZ**

**AP Sports Writer**

**OAKLAND, California (AP)**

— Harrison Barnes had 26 points and 10 rebounds, Stephen Curry scored 22 on an injured left ankle and the Golden State Warriors rallied past the San Antonio Spurs 97-87 in overtime Sunday to even the Western Conference semifinal at two games apiece.

Jarrett Jack added 24 points in reserve and Andrew Bogut grabbed 18 rebounds to help the Warriors overcome an eight-point deficit in the final five minutes of regulation. Golden State scored the first nine points of overtime to whip the yellow-shirt wearing crowd of 19,596 into a frenzy and give this topsy-turvy series another twist.

Manu Ginobili had 21 points and Tim Duncan added 19

points and 15 rebounds for the Spurs, who were out-shot 35.5 to 38 percent in what was an ugly offensive game most of the afternoon. The Warriors out-rebounded San Antonio 65 to 51. Game 5 is Tuesday in San Antonio.

The Spurs seized control of a sloppy, slugfest at the start and went cold shooting when it mattered most. Tony Parker, wearing a black sleeve around his bruised left calf, poured in 17 points on 6-of-17 shooting but never broke free the way he did by scoring 32 points the previous contest.

Ginobili hit a mid-range jumper and a 3-pointer, and Kawhi Leonard put back a rebound for an easy layup to out the Spurs ahead 80-72 with 4:49 remaining in the fourth quar-

ter. The home sellout crowd sat down and fell silent for one of the few times in the fourth quarter all postseason with the series slipping away.

Jack hit a pair of difficult pull-up jumpers before Klay Thompson's fadeaway beat the shot clock, and Jack followed with another shot to tie the game in the final minute.

Parker provided another big shot on the other end. He used a screen from Duncan to break free of the dribble, sinking a 15-footer from the wing to put the Spurs ahead 84-82 with 39.2 seconds left.

The Warriors called timeout, and had Thompson inbound. He got the ball back and dribbled to his left, banking a running shot over Leonard to even the score again.



**Golden State Warriors' Carl Landry (7) celebrates after scoring as San Antonio Spurs' Boris Diaw (33) holds the ball during the second half of Game 4 of a Western Conference semifinal NBA basketball playoff series in Oakland, Calif., Sunday, May 12, 2013.**

**Associated Press**

Ginobili, whose 3-pointer capped San Antonio's double-overtime comeback in Game 1, shook Barnes to the floor but missed an open 3-pointer near his own bench.

Jack corralled the ball in a scrum under the basket and called timeout, then Parker pressured him into a contested shot just inside the top of the arc to send the game to overtime. □

## Lundqvist, Brassard keep Rangers alive vs. Caps

**By IRA PODELL**

**AP Sports Writer**

**NEW YORK (AP)**-- Henrik Lundqvist slammed his stick in disgust when an overtime loss in Washington put the New York Rangers on the brink of elimination.

Two days later, the star goalie pumped his arm and let out an emphatic yell when his shutout kept the Rangers alive and set up a Game 7 in the nation's capital.

Lundqvist was the difference Sunday in stopping 27 shots for his seventh NHL playoff shutout. The reigning Vezina Trophy winner was perfect in making Derick Brassard's second-period goal stand up in a 1-0 victory over the Capi-

tals that forced a deciding game in the first-round, Eastern Conference series.

"We needed it. There was desperation out there," Lundqvist said. "We showed a lot of character and worked really hard. It was that type of game where you pay the price - big saves, physical. Great win."

Despite having little room for error, the Rangers stayed composed and played a disciplined game in which they took no penalties until a big scrum after the final buzzer.

Now the Rangers hope that can carry over to Game 7 on Monday night in Washington, where they have lost three times in this tight



**New York Rangers right wing Ryan Callahan (24) congratulates New York Rangers goalie Henrik Lundqvist (30) of Sweden as New York Rangers defenseman Steve Eminger (44) joins them celebrating the Rangers 1-0 victory over the Washington Capitals in Game 6 of their NHL Stanley Cup hockey playoff series in New York, Sunday, May 12, 2013. The Rangers evened the series at 3-3, forcing a Game 7 in Washington Monday.**

**Associated Press**

series. The home team has won all six games.

"They play really well at home and they're confi-

dent," Lundqvist said. "The games we've played in that building, special teams have played a big part. We

played a really disciplined game, and that's going to be key for us because they have a really good power play, so you have to respect that.

"Play hard, but play smart."

The Rangers earned Game 7 wins at home in last year's playoffs over Ottawa and Washington. If they pull out this victory, it would give them just their second series win after falling behind 0-2.

"We are just going to have the same mentality we had coming into this game," Brassard said. "We just played our game, had fun. The guys were relaxed, and that's what we need to do (Monday)." □

# Study finds an increase in arsenic levels in chicken

**SABRINA TAVERNISE**

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Researchers at Johns Hopkins University said they found levels of arsenic in chicken that exceeded amounts that occur naturally, and warned that they could lead to a small increase in the risk of cancer for consumers over a lifetime.

The levels were well below danger levels set in federal safety standards, although the researchers pointed out that those were first established in the 1940s. And the chicken samples tested were from 2010 and 2011, before sales of the drug that researchers say was a major driver of the elevated arsenic levels, roxarsone, were suspended.

A spokeswoman for the chicken industry said the levels found by researchers were low, but the researchers contend that the elevated levels are important because the Food and Drug Administration has not banned the drug, and it is still being sold abroad. The issue of arsenic in food has drawn public attention since research last year by Consumer Reports found substantial arsenic levels in rice. Arsenic residue in rice often comes from water used in farming.

Keeve Nachman, a scientist at the Johns Hopkins Center for a Livable Future and the chicken study's main author, acknowledged that the levels of inorganic arsenic in chicken were far lower than those found in rice but said that any deliberate additive amounted to a public health risk. Roxarsone, and a chemically similar drug, nitarsone, remain the last federally approved uses of arsenic in food production, he said.

Roxarsone, known by its brand name 3-Nitro, kills intestinal parasites, promotes growth and makes meat look pinker. It contains organic arsenic, which is far less toxic than its inorganic counterpart. For decades, it was believed that animals simply excreted organic arsenic. But evi-

dence is emerging that it might also be converted into its carcinogenic cousin in the body of the chicken. The study, which measured inorganic arsenic levels in chicken, found roxarsone in about half the samples.



**Image shows an industrial chicken farm. Researchers at Johns Hopkins University said they found levels of arsenic in chicken that exceeded amounts that occur naturally, and warned that they could lead to a small increase in the risk of cancer for consumers over a lifetime. (Handout Photo)**

The researchers said they tested meat samples that were gathered from December 2010 to June 2011 – before the sales of roxarsone were suspended – because they wanted to examine whether the drug led to increased levels of inorganic arsenic.

A spokeswoman for the company that sells the drug, Zoetis, said sales in the United States “remain suspended pending the ongoing evaluation of relevant scientific data regarding the use of this product

in poultry.”

She said that the company no longer manufactures the drug and that it is selling down remaining stock in markets that still permit it, all of them in Latin America.

A spokesman for the FDA said in an email that the

company “has assured FDA that it will not begin marketing the drug again in the United States without first consulting with the agency.”

The study, to be published Saturday in the journal *Environmental Health Perspectives*, tested 140 samples of chicken from grocery stores in 10 U.S. cities. It found that chicken contained inorganic arsenic at the level of about 2 parts per billion. Organic chicken was also tested. It contained about half a part per billion. Federal standards allow anything below 500 parts per billion of total arsenic.

The study estimated that the exposure could cause an additional 124 deaths in the country annually from lung and bladder cancer, if the drug were fed to all chickens.

The National Chicken Council said the findings reflected “very low levels of arsenic” and were not worrisome.

“These samples, taken as part of this extremely small, agenda-driven study, were purchased before

roxarsone was removed from the market in June 2011, and the conclusions are used to intentionally mislead consumers,” said Ashley Peterson, vice president of scientific and regulatory affairs at the National Chicken Council.

Sales of the drug were suspended in 2011 after the FDA released a report finding inorganic arsenic in chicken livers, but the agency did not ban roxarsone. In that report, the agency said, “any new animal drug that contributes to the overall inorganic arsenic burden is of potential concern.” Consumer advocates contended the drug should be banned.

Chicken consumption in the U.S. has nearly tripled since the 1960s, increasing human exposure. Each American ate about 83 pounds of chicken in 2011, compared with about 30 pounds per person in 1965, according to the National Chicken Council.

Nachman said that Zoetis currently sells a similar arsenic-based drug, nitarsone, which is approved for use in chickens and turkeys. □

## France:

# 2nd case of SARS-related virus confirmed

**MILOS KRIVOKAPIC**

**Associated Press**

**PARIS (AP)** — France has confirmed a second case of a deadly new respiratory virus related to SARS, authorities said Sunday, as they increased efforts to inform the public about how to avoid the illness and watch for its signs.

A hospital roommate of the 65-year-old man who initially contracted the virus tested positive for the illness. The second patient's condition has deteriorated, requiring treatment in intensive care, Health Minister Marisol Touraine said at a news conference. The minister added that the first patient is “in a stable but worrisome situation.”

Touraine said pamphlets listing precautionary measures and potential signs of illness will be available at French airports for trav-

elers, especially those visiting the Arabian Peninsula, where many cases of the virus have been reported. The novel coronavirus has killed 18 people since being identified last year, out of more than 30 confirmed cases reported to the World Health Organization since September 2012. The first France patient had just returned from vacationing in Dubai on an organized tour when he fell ill.

The initial France patient shared a room with the second patient for a few days in late April at a hospital in Valenciennes. Now both are being treated at the Lille Hospital in northern France.

Four other suspected cases, all people who had contact with the initial patient, were false alarms, officials said.

Most of those infected

since the virus was identified had traveled to Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Jordan or Pakistan. There also have been cases in Britain and Germany.

The novel coronavirus is related to SARS, which killed some 800 people in a global epidemic in 2003, and belongs to a family of viruses that most often causes the common cold.

The virus is most closely related to a bat virus and scientists are also considering whether bats or animals such as camels or goats are a possible source of infection. Scientists are also considering whether fruit contaminated by animal droppings may have spread the virus.

A pamphlet advising travelers on measures to avoid getting sick, such as frequently washing hands or avoiding animals, is being

made available at French airports. The pamphlets also list worrisome symptoms to watch for, such as fever.

Arnaud Fontanet of the Pasteur Institute, which is doing the testing for the virus in France, said at the news conference that the respiratory tract appears to be a dominant mode of transmission.

Officials are trying to track down all people who had contact with the second patient in France as well as all those who traveled to Dubai on an organized tour with the man initially diagnosed with the virus.

“Professionals, doctors, consider that there is no need for excessive worry, but once again we should be vigilant,” the health minister said. “I am repeating: Nothing is being left to chance.” □

# World grapples with rise in cyber crime

PAISLEY DODDS  
Associated Press

**LONDON (AP)** — International law enforcement agencies say the recent \$45 million dollar ATM heist is just one of many scams they're fighting in an unprecedented wave of sophisticated cyberattacks. Old-school robberies by masked criminals are being eclipsed by stealth multimillion dollar cybercrime operations which are catching companies and investigators by surprise.

"We are seeing an unprecedented number of cyberscams that include phishing for financial data, viruses, credit card fraud and others," Marcin Skowronek, an investigator at Europol's European Cybercrime Center in The Hague said on Saturday.

"In Europe, we are generally quite well protected against some types of fraud because of the chip and pin technology we use, but there are still shops and machines around the world who still take cards without chips. And the most popular destinations for this type of fraud are the United States and the Dominican Republic."

U.S. Investigators said Thursday a gang hit cash machines in 27 countries in two attacks — the first netting \$5 million in December and then \$40 million in February in a 10-hour spree that involved about 36,000 transactions.

Hackers got into bank databases, eliminated withdrawal limits on prepaid debit cards and created access codes. Others loaded that data onto any plastic card — even a hotel keycard — with a magnetic stripe

A similar scam yielded some 50 arrests this year in Europe during a joint police operation between Romanian police and Europol, Skowronek said.

The operation took more than a year, involved some 400 police officers across Europe and required work comparing bank losses to illegal transactions and then cross-referencing

suspects, said Skowronek, who said many national police forces were beefing up their undercover work in the cyberworld to catch criminals.

Investigators found illegal workshops for producing devices and software to manipulate point-of-sale terminals. Illegal electronic equipment, financial data,

in countries that included Argentina, Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Japan, Mexico, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Thailand and the United States.

Some 36,000 debit card and credit card holders in some 16 countries were affected, Skowronek said. The amount stolen was unclear. Bank fraud, ATM

coding and criminal gangs have tapped into those skills. The tradition has continued and Romanian school students are more advanced in mathematics than many of their European counterparts.

Nadine Spanu, a spokeswoman for Romania's anti-crime prosecutors, said Saturday she had no state-

ment to offer on the \$45 million heist or a possible Romania connection.

Skimming works when criminals place devices on ATMs that copy consumers' card details and leave them vulnerable to fraud. There have been similar cases in the United States and Britain.

The EU is the world's largest market for payment card transactions and it is estimated that organized crime groups derive more than 1.5 billion euros (\$1.9 billion) a year from payment card fraud in the EU.

Mike Urban,

director of financial crime solutions at Fiserv, a Brookfield-Wisconsin-based company that provides financial technology to banks, credit unions and corporations across the world, says banks have not caught up with the threat of electronic crime.

"Compare this to a physical bank security. If someone walks in today, they're probably not going to get very much money, the dye pack is going to explode, they will be caught on video, they're probably not going to get away with it, and they're probably going to spend a long time in jail," said Urban. "Online, in the cyberworld, we're not there yet." One security loophole thieves have learned to exploit is the

lack of real-time transactions in ATM-speak.

Known as the "Gone in 60 Seconds" scam, thieves deposit money and then make coordinated cash-advance withdrawals in various places — but all in less than 60 seconds so the machines essentially regard all of the withdrawals as one transaction.

In October, some 14 people were charged following an FBI-led investigation into the theft of more than \$1 million from Citibank using the 60-second scam. The simultaneous transactions at casinos in California and Nevada tricked the system into thinking that they were one transaction. Even on some joint accounts where both partners have cards for the same account, users can often bypass withdrawal limits if the transactions are done at the same time.

"This type of attack might be preventable if ATM networks were able to monitor transactions in real time for unusually large numbers of transactions involving individual cards or cards from the same issuing institution. Unfortunately, that type of infrastructure doesn't exist today, but perhaps it's time to consider creating and implementing it now, especially after this latest attack," said Tom Cross, director of security research at the Lancop, a company specializing in flow analysis for security and network performance based in Alpharetta, Georgia.

Police Maj. Gen. Pisit Paoon, chief of Thailand's Technology Crime Suppression Division, said in a telephone interview Saturday that Thai police have arrested more than 20 suspects involved in the \$45 million cyber heist including those from Bulgaria, Bangladesh and eastern Europe.

He said that in the latest arrest in early April, a group of Bangladeshi and Malaysian suspects were using about 50 cards to withdraw cash from machines in Bangkok for a month and took out about 10 million baht (\$336,000). □



**In this undated photo provided by the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York, Elvis Rafael Rodriguez, left, and Emir Yasser Yeje, pose with bundles of cash allegedly stolen using bogus magnetic swipe cards at cash machines throughout New York. Prosecutors in New York on Thursday, May 9, 2013 said that they are members of worldwide gang of criminals who stole \$45 million in hours by hacking into a database of prepaid debit cards and draining cash machines around the globe. An indictment unsealed Thursday accused U.S. cell ringleader Alberto Yusi Lajud-Pena and seven other New York suspects of withdrawing \$2.8 million in cash from hacked accounts in less than a day.**

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cloned cards and cash were seized in raids in Britain and Romania.

The group stole credit and debit card numbers and PIN codes by implanting card reading devices and malicious software on point-of-sale terminals. The criminals then used counterfeit payment cards with stolen data for further illegal transactions

scams and phishing are common in Romania, one of the most corrupt countries in the European Union, according to Transparency International which monitors and measures graft.

Under the late communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu, who was ousted and executed in 1989, Romanians specialized in mathematics and computer

# US sold 58.4 million shares of GM stock this year

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**WASHINGTON (AP)** — The U.S. government has sold another piece of its stake in General Motors Co. The Treasury Department said in its April report to Congress that so far this year it has sold 58.4 million shares of GM stock and earned net proceeds of \$1.6 billion. At the end of April, Treasury had recovered about \$30.7 billion of the \$49.5 billion bailout it gave the Detroit automaker. That means that taxpayers are still \$18.8 billion in the hole. GM stock sold in April in a range of \$27.52 to \$30.84 per share. For the government to break even on its investment, the remaining stock would have to sell for more than double the April

high. On Friday GM shares closed at \$31.42, down 23 cents. In January, Treasury began selling its remaining shares of GM stock and announced it planned to complete those sales by early 2014. On Monday, Treasury said it would proceed with the next phase of its sales plan with the goal of selling its remaining 241.7 million shares of GM stock. That stock would have to sell for about \$78 per share for the government to recoup its total costs in the GM bailout. GM nearly ran out of cash in 2008 and needed government money to survive a trip through bankruptcy reorganization. Last year the company bought 200 million of its

shares from the government for \$5.5 billion. GM's

shares sold for \$33 when they began publicly trad-

ing again in November 2010. □



**Workers inspect Chevrolet Spin vehicles at the General Motors Indonesia manufacturing facility in Bekasi, West Java, Indonesia, Wednesday, May 8, 2013. The Treasury Department said that so far this year it has sold 58.4 million shares of GM stock and earned net proceeds of \$1.6 billion. (AP Photo/Tatan Syuflana)**

## Chrysler recalls almost 470,000 Jeep SUVs

**DETROIT (AP)** — Chrysler is recalling 469,000 Jeep SUVs worldwide because they can shift into neutral without warning on startup. The recall affects 2005 to 2010 Grand Cherokees and 2006 to 2010 Com-

manders. U.S. safety regulators say cracks in a circuit board can cause a faulty signal as the SUVs are being started. If the vehicles shift into neutral they can roll away. Chrysler says the problem has caused 26

crashes and two injuries. Chrysler will notify owners and dealers will update software to take care of the problem. Chrysler found cracks in a circuit board that turns the four-wheel-drive system on and

off. Repairs will be made at no cost to owners. The recall covers 295,000 vehicles in the U.S., 28,500 in Canada, and 4,200 in Mexico. The remaining 141,000 are outside North America. The company says in docu-

ments filed with the National Highway Traffic Administration that it began looking into the problem after a customer complained that an SUV rolled away in January of 2012 after being started remotely. □

## Declining sales bring loss of \$345M at steel giant

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**LONDON** — ArcelorMittal, the world's largest steel company, on Friday reported a net loss of \$345 million for the first three months of 2013 as it continued to struggle with lower demand for steel. The loss contrasts with a \$92 million profit in the same period of 2012. Sales for the first quarter of 2013 were down 13 percent from last year, to \$19.8 billion.

There were some signs that the company, which relies on demand from heavy industries like automobile manufacturing and construction, may be reaching the bottom of a multiyear slide. While steel shipments in the first quarter were down about 6 percent compared with the year-earlier period, at 20.9 million metric tons, they rose almost 5 percent from the

fourth quarter of 2012.

Similarly, while sales were down from last year's first quarter, they were up 2 percent from the last quar-

ters measure in the steel industry — was "a clear beat" of analysts' expectations by about \$200 million. But ArcelorMittal still appears

ally," said Jeff Largey, an analyst at Macquarie in London. "That is going to prevent a company like ArcelorMittal from making the type of profits it did in its heyday." ArcelorMittal continues to whittle away at the heavy debt it built up during an acquisition spree before the world financial crisis. The company, based in Luxembourg, cut its net debt in the quarter by \$3.8 billion, to \$18 billion, largely through a January offering of \$4 billion in shares and convertible subordinated notes. "We have significantly reduced our net debt, and the steps we have taken to focus production on our more competitive assets are beginning to yield results," Lakshmi N. Mittal, the company's chairman and chief executive, said in a statement. In Europe, where ArcelorMittal em-

ploys more than 90,000 people, the company reduced its losses at the unit that produces flat steel for customers like automakers. The unit reported a \$59 million operating loss in the first quarter, compared with a loss of \$283 million a year earlier and of \$2.9 billion in the fourth quarter of 2012, when the company wrote down the value of some businesses. A \$210 million gain from selling carbon emissions credits helped limit the bleeding. Steel production at the unit was up slightly from the previous year, but the average price per ton declined 3 percent to \$831. ArcelorMittal said it lost \$9 a ton on the European flat steel unit. Responding to weak demand, the company has closed operations in Europe, especially at Liege in Belgium and Florange in France. □



**Photo shows an ArcelorMittal information hub at a trade show. ArcelorMittal reported a net loss of \$345 million for the first three months of 2013 as it continued to struggle with lower demand for steel. (Handout Photo)**

ter of 2012. Thomas O'Hara, an analyst at Citigroup, said the company's earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization — the standard earn-

to have a long way to go before it returns to the high profitability it enjoyed before the onset of the global financial crisis. "There is a glut of steel supply glob-

## Economic Reports For The Week

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### REPORTS

Information to be released includes retail sales for April, business inventories for March, and China industrial production and retail sales for April (Monday); the import price index and euro-area industrial productions (Tuesday); the producer price index for April, industrial production for April, capital flows for March, and the euro-area gross domestic product for the first quarter (Wednesday); the consumer price index for April, initial jobless claims, and housing starts for April (Thursday); and the University of Michigan consumer sentiment index for May (preliminary), and leading indicators for April (Friday).

### EARNINGS

Companies scheduled to release quarterly reports include Sharp (Tuesday); John Deere, Macy's and Cisco Systems (Wednesday); and Kohl's, Wal-Mart Stores, J.C. Penney and Nordstrom (Thursday).

### U.S.

On Monday, the television upfronts begin; and Anthony Chiasson, the co-founder of Level Global and former SAC manager, is sentenced for insider trading. On Tuesday, BlackBerry begins a three-day conference in Orlando, Fla.; and the Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee will hold a hearing on returning private capital to mortgage markets. On Wednesday, hedge funds like Soros, Paulson and Pershing Square disclose their holdings in 13-F filings; Wal-Mart, J.C. Penney, Gap and other retailers face a deadline to sign a pact of Bangladesh factory safety; Google's three-day developers conference begins in San Francisco; and the House Financial Services committee will meet on the issue of "too big to fail." □

## The full picture on annuities and insurance

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Life insurance and annuities are supposed to accomplish straightforward goals: life insurance provides for your family if you die unexpectedly and annuities guarantee a steady stream of income in retirement. But right now, both are being promoted for their tax benefits.

Money put into these products grows on a tax-deferred basis just as it does in retirement accounts. In the case of annuities, the money is eventually taxed as ordinary income when it is taken out. With permanent

vestments. As in those two cases, the decision to buy various life insurance policies or annuities can be unduly influenced by the tax advantages inherent in insurance. Many policies carry high upfront and management fees, have limited investment options and penalize people for withdrawing their money within a few years of buying the policy or annuity. With these downsides, insurance companies are regularly looking for reasons to sell their products beyond the death benefits of insurance and the steady income stream of

in assets who could calculate how much money on top of Social Security they would need and buy an annuity that would cover that.

"I think you really need to run the numbers and understand the charges and compare those to an investment portfolio where you'll get an expected rate of return," he said.

Given the lure of tax-deferred savings, how should people weigh that against the risks and downsides of insurance and annuities? Thomas Pauloski, national managing director at Bernstein Global Wealth Man-

vate placement life insurance policies were clear about their fees, but that was because these policies were custom-made for someone paying a premium often in excess of \$1 million. With more common forms of permanent insurance, like universal and whole life, finding the fees becomes more difficult, he said, because of how they get embedded in the policies.

More confusing still is how the returns on the cash value of the policy are presented, since they can mask the high fees. "Any insurance illustration is going to have a lot of assumptions built into it," he said. "It assumes, for one, that today's pretax dividend is going to continue forever. That is simply not going to happen."

When presented with a proposal for a client, he said he often went back to the insurance company and asked it to redo the calculations with lower, more realistic assumptions. Even that, he said, is not perfect because it assumes a consistency that is unlikely.

With annuities, the fees start to pile up when people elect additional features, like a guaranteed, minimum payout. Those fees reduce the return and the value of the tax deferral. Since the annuity company paid a commission to the broker who sold the annuity, there are also so-called surrender fees for taking your money out in the first five to 10 years of the annuity.

Most people do not have millions of dollars to put into these products. They have to consider annuities and insurance in a more basic way.

"What I'm trying to do is to get people to stop thinking about life insurance as a plug-in for something else and start thinking about it as a risk-adjusted investment," Pauloski said. "The one risk we really can't do anything about with our portfolios is an early death and, in the case of annuities, it's outliving our assets." □



**Thomas Pauloski, national managing director at Bernstein Global Wealth Management and a former insurance company executive, leads a presentation in Scottsdale, Ariz., May 9, 2013. Pauloski said people could go wrong when they did not fully consider how long they wanted to keep their money in an insurance policy and how much the company was charging them in fees. (David Kadlubowski/The New York Times)**

life insurance, the death benefit goes to the beneficiaries free of income tax, but if it is a permanent policy, as opposed to a term policy, the owner of the policy could also borrow against its cash value and never pay income tax on it. (The insurance company charges interest on the borrowed money, though, and that loan reduces the value of the death benefit if it is not paid back.)

And while insurance companies are using the tax issue as a selling point, that is by no means the full picture. I have written recent columns on how this year's tax increases have influenced behavior around estate planning and in-

annuities.

"Oftentimes these products are sold based on the moment in time," said Richard Coppa, managing director of Wealth Health, a financial advisory firm. "A couple of years ago they were sold on guaranteed returns of 6 or 7 percent because people were so fearful. Today, it's uncertainty about taxes because many of the favorable tax treatments out there are subject to negotiation."

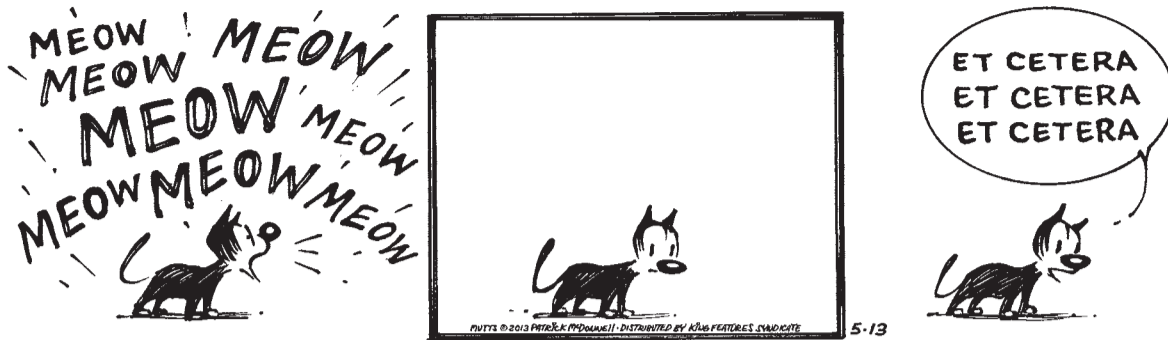
He said there were certainly people who were afraid of running out of money in retirement who could benefit from an annuity. He pointed to people with \$250,000 to \$500,000

agement and a former insurance company executive, said people could go wrong when they did not fully consider how long they wanted to keep their money in an insurance policy and how much the company was charging them in fees.

If they are going to pull out the money out in a few years, insurance makes little sense since fees will cancel out any gains. What's trickier is knowing what those fees are going to be, even over the long haul.

Pauloski said among permanent insurance options – as opposed to term insurance, which has no cash value – only so-called pri-

## Mutts



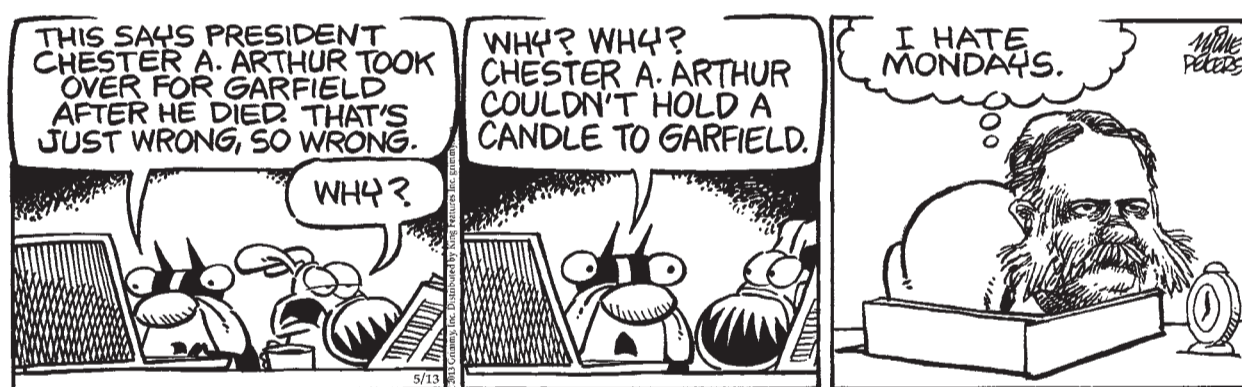
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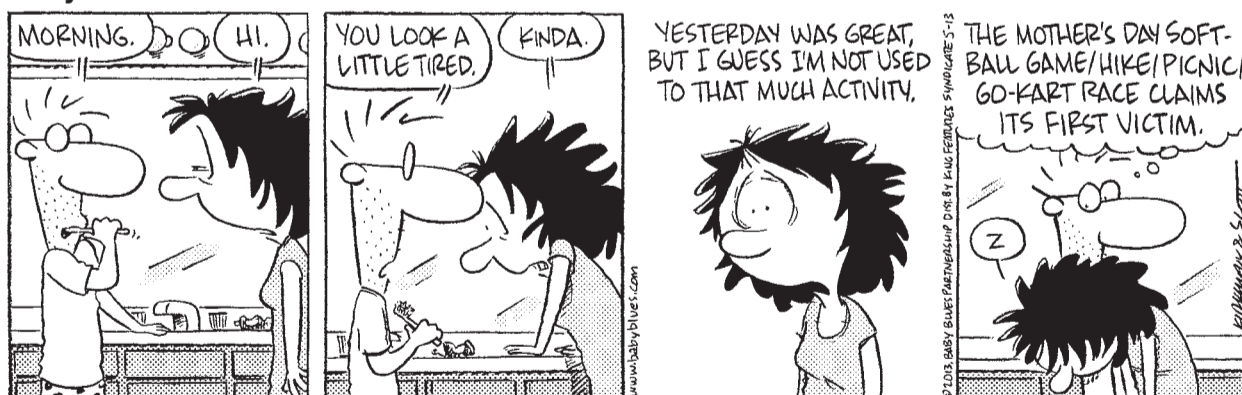
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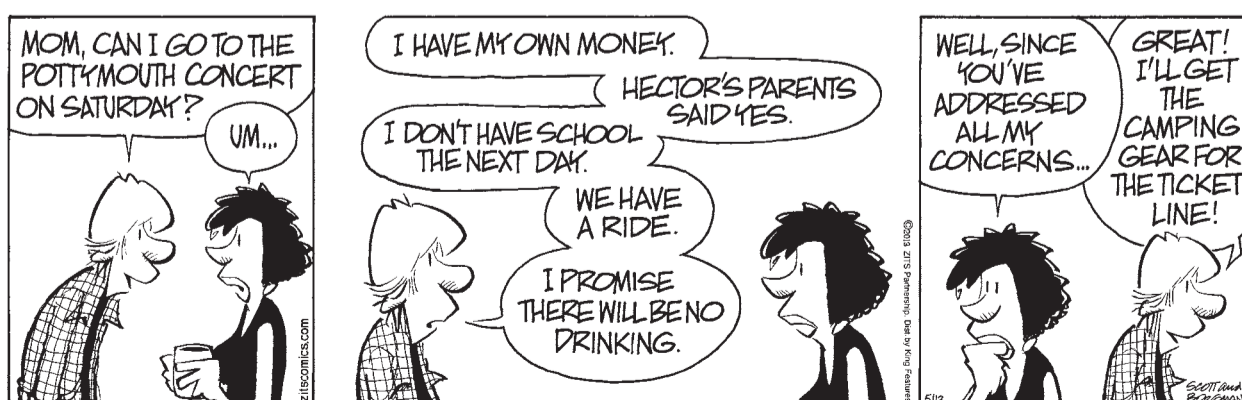
## Mother Goose & Grimm



## Baby Blues



## Zits



## Conceptis Sudoku

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1	6		9		7	3	5
		3				2	
	9		5	4		6	
5							8
	8		3	1		2	
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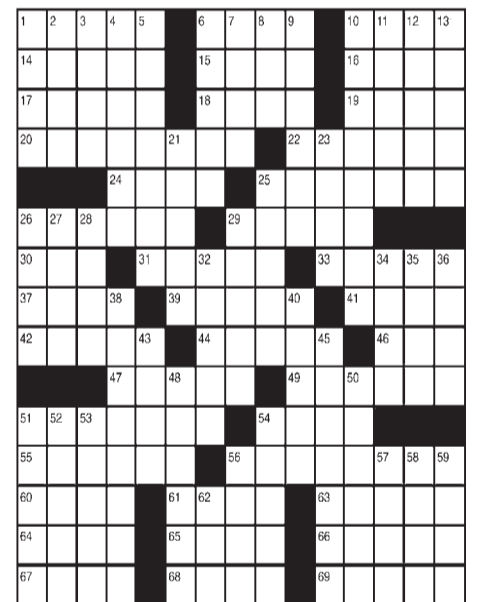
Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Saturday's puzzle answer

6	3	7	5	9	4	2	1	8
5	9	2	1	3	8	7	4	6
4	8	1	2	7	6	5	3	9
2	4	6	3	8	1	9	7	5
1	7	8	6	5	9	3	2	4
3	5	9	7	4	2	8	6	1
7	6	3	8	1	5	4	9	2
9	2	5	4	6	3	1	8	7
8	1	4	9	2	7	6	5	3

## ACROSS

- Male duck
- "Sesame!"; Ali Baba's cry
- Created
- Batman's sidekick
- Summon with a beeper
- Cooking chamber
- Foreboding signs
- School subj.
- Period before Easter
- Street vendors
- Few and far between
- Volcanic output
- Hen's mate
- Part of a coat
- Orange peels
- Chop down
- Stopped
- Department store chain
- Above
- Flooring pieces
- Bench board
- Michelin products
- Fortune teller's deck of cards
- Perish
- Backbiting
- Soothe
- TV's Hall
- Short note
- Falls back into bad habits
- Rather mauve in color
- Ridicules
- Uttered
- Wed on the run
- Excavation containing ore
- Took advantage of
- Ravi Shankar's instrument
- Chances
- Simple
- Rib



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## Saturday's Puzzle Solved

PLED	STRIP	ALEX
LIVE	NOISE	NEAR
USES	ANDRE	NASA
STREAKY	APLENTY	
	RYE	RESET
ELATE	PAL	ATOLL
BENS	PET	ARETHA
BAT	STATION	HAS
EVICTS	LOL	VEST
DECOY	PEN	SARAS
	OLDER	TIC
RAPPERS	RENAMED	
IDLE	OTTER	TODD
CZAR	NEEDS	ERGO
KENS	ERASE	DEER

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## DOWN

- Be done with

- Italy's capital
- Still in the sack
- E-book device
- Force into servitude
- Met production
- Skillets
- Custard ingredient
- Ozzie or Harriet
- Thick syrup
- Turn away, as the eyes
- Crowded
- Go in
- In any ; nevertheless
- Pea casings
- Passenger
- Injection
- One of Jacob's 12 sons
- Pitcher
- Pass on, as a message
- "Same for me!"
- Actor Alan
- Metal bar

- Flower stalk
- Wall nooks
- Not smashed
- Rational
- Violent storm
- Kleenex, e.g.
- Lassie, for one
- Remembered
- Texas mission
- Fast
- Use up
- Like a garden after the rain
- Desserts
- Tiny amount
- Jacuzzis
- In this place
- Happy clam

## Column: Do they really tawk like that?

GINIA BELLAFANTE

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**NEW YORK** – Years ago, a friend who had moved to New York from Minneapolis to go to college marveled that the people she met who had been raised on the Upper East Side spoke with “no accent.”

Although she hadn’t expected them to sound like Buddy Hackett, she was intrigued by the notion that members of the city’s upper classes didn’t particularly sound as if they were from anywhere. As someone who had grown up in a well-to-do Midwestern family, she hardly sounded like Marge Gunderson in “Fargo,” but there were certain subtle pronunciations and inflections, she argued, that still marked a wealthy Midwesterner as a Midwesterner, signifiers absent in an analogous population here. By the 1980s, if not earlier, whatever vestiges of the patrician New York accent that were in evidence seemed to reside more or less exclusively in the speech patterns of George Plimpton. That pseudo-British way of talking – exemplified perhaps most famously by Franklin Delano Roosevelt – had fallen away, the consequence of a diluted aristocracy, a 1960s resistance to elitism, an aversion to sounding ridiculous. And yet that accent was a New York accent. A strain of it at any rate, even though it is never what we think of when we think of the New York accent.

This is one of the inferences to be drawn from “If These Knishes Could Talk: The Story of the New York Accent,” a film in some sense betrayed by its title, because its purpose is to show how multifarious (and mutable) the New York accent actually is. A documentary by a native New Yorker named Heather Quinlan, the film, having its premiere at the Art of Brooklyn Film Festival on Thursday, examines the way that different immigrant groups adapted to speaking in the city, and illuminates the distinctions that were the result. The Jewish accent (Woody Allen) is syntactically different from the Italian accent (“The Godfather”). And, in turn, both are different from the Irish accent, which Quinlan believes was best illustrated – in popular entertainment – in “All in the Family” (“goil,” for girl, “terlet” for toilet), and has largely van-

ished.

In the documentary, Amy Heckerling, a filmmaker who grew up in a building of Holocaust survivors in the Bronx and retains the attendant accent, describes taking a test in elementary school and spelling “idea” as “idea-r.” This habit is known in linguistic circles as the intrusive “r” and arises when people ignore the letter where it belongs (“waduh” for “water,”) and seek to compensate.

The film, though, is not intended as a sophisticated lesson in linguistics but instead as a tribute to what New York sounded like when the working class stood as a more central cultural presence. Or rather, when they stood as a presence at all, before the vibe of the city came to be dominated by the world of \$15 million apartments on the one hand, and housing projects with yearlong waits for repairs on the other.

One vocal complaint in recent years is that the Bloomberg administration’s global city ambitions have left New York feeling very little like New York.

Although Quinlan’s film is wistful for what was, it simultaneously conveys how enduring a certain version of authenticity is. Early in the film we meet a young sanitation worker named Ben Lee of Staten Island.

He tells a story about riding in the back of a car and the driver is shocked to discover, when she turns around to face him, that he is Korean-American. Having grown up around Italian-Americans, Lee learned to talk the way they did.

He once had a girl obsessed with him because he was, as she put it to him, “an Asian Guido.”

In social media, and even in sign language, New York has retained its own distinctive voice despite Bloomberg’s agenda. For instance, Jacob Eisenstein, who heads the computational linguistics lab at Georgia Tech and appears in the film, has studied regionalisms on Twitter, and found that the word, “sutfin” – meaning “something” – appears 10 times as often in Twitter posts from New York as it does in the rest of the United States. The phrase “odee,” which means overdone or overdose, is used 20 times more often.

New York has a much longer way to go before it is just another Shanghai. □

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**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — Every time Los Angeles exhales, odd-looking gadgets anchored in the mountains above the city trace the invisible puffs of carbon dioxide, methane and other greenhouse gases that waft skyward.

Halfway around the globe, similar contraptions atop the Eiffel Tower and elsewhere around Paris keep a pulse on emissions from smokestacks and automobile tailpipes. And there is talk of outfitting Sao Paulo, Brazil, with sensors that sniff the byproducts of burning fossil fuels.

It's part of a budding effort to track the carbon footprints of megacities, urban hubs with over 10 million people that are increasingly responsible for human-caused global warming.

For years, carbon dioxide and other greenhouse pollutants have been closely monitored around the planet by stations on the ground and in space. Last week, worldwide levels of carbon dioxide reached 400 parts per million at a Hawaii station that sets the global benchmark — a concentration not seen in millions of years.

Now, some scientists are eyeing large cities — with LA and Paris as guinea pigs — and aiming to observe emissions in the atmosphere as a first step toward independently verifying whether local — and often lofty — climate goals are being met.

For the past year, a high-tech sensor poking out from a converted shipping container has stared at the Los Angeles basin from its perch on Mount Wilson, a peak in the San Gabriel Mountains that's home to



Senior research scientist Stanley Sander stands on the rooftop of the California Laboratory for Atmospheric Remote Sensing (CLARS) facility at Mount Wilson, Calif., Friday, April 12, 2013. A mile above this city, sensors gaze down on the basin from atop Mount Wilson the way a satellite fixates on Earth, collecting pieces of information about Los Angeles' carbon footprint.

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a famous observatory and communication towers.

Like a satellite gazing down on Earth, it scans more than two dozen points from the inland desert to the coast. Every few minutes, it rumbles to life as it automatically sweeps the horizon, measuring sunlight bouncing off the surface for the unique fingerprint of carbon dioxide and other heat-trapping gases.

In a storage room next door, commercially available instruments that typically monitor air quality double as climate sniffers. And in nearby Pasadena, a refurbished vintage solar telescope on the roof of a laboratory on the California Institute of Technology campus captures sunlight and sends it down a shaft 60 feet (18 meters) below where a prism-like instrument separates out carbon dioxide molecules.

On a recent April afternoon atop Mount Wilson, a



brown haze hung over the city, the accumulation of dust and smoke particles in the atmosphere.

"There are some days where we can see 150 miles way out to the Channel Islands and there are some days where we have trouble even seeing what's down here in the foreground," said Stanley Sander, a senior research scientist at the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

What Sander and others are after are the pretty much invisible greenhouse gases spewing from factories and freeways below.

There are plans to expand the network. This summer, technicians will install commercial gas analyzers at a dozen more rooftops around the greater LA region. Scientists also plan to drive around the city in

a Prius outfitted with a portable emission-measuring device and fly a research aircraft to pinpoint methane hotspots from the sky (A well-known natural source is the La Brea Tar Pits in the heart of LA where underground bacteria burp bubbles of methane gas to the surface.)

Six years ago, elected officials vowed to reduce emissions to 35 percent below 1990 levels by 2030 by shifting to renewable energy and weaning the city's dependence on out-of-state coal-fired plants, greening the twin port complex and airports and retrofitting city buildings.

It's impractical to blanket the city with instruments so scientists rely on a handful of sensors and use computer models to work backward to determine the sources of

the emissions and whether they're increasing. They won't be able to zero in on an offending street or a landfill, but they hope to be able to tell whether switching buses from diesel to alternative fuel has made a dent.

Project manager Riley Duren of JPL said it'll take several years of monitoring to know whether LA is on track to reach its goal.

Scientists not involved with the project say it makes sense to dissect emissions on a city level to confirm whether certain strategies to curb greenhouse gases are working. But they're divided about the focus.

Allen Robinson, an air quality expert at Carnegie Mellon University, said he prefers more attention paid to measuring a city's methane emissions since scientists know less about them than carbon dioxide release. Nearly 58 percent of California's carbon dioxide emissions in 2010 came from gasoline-powered vehicles, according to the U.S. Energy Department's latest figures.

In much of the country, coal — usually as fuel for electric power — is a major source of carbon dioxide pollution. But in California, it's responsible for a tad more than 1 percent of the state's carbon dioxide emissions. Natural gas, considered a cleaner fuel, spews one third of the state's carbon dioxide.

Overall, California in 2010 released about 408 million tons of carbon dioxide into the air. The state's carbon dioxide pollution is greater than all but 20 countries and is just ahead of Spain's emissions. In 2010, California put nearly 11 tons of carbon dioxide into the air for every person, which is lower than the national average of 20 tons per person.

Gregg Marland, an Appalachian State University professor who has tracked worldwide emissions for the Energy Department, said there's value in learning about a city's emissions and testing techniques. □

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# 'Gatsby' gives 'Iron Man 3' a run for its money

DAVID GERMAIN

AP Movie Writer

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — Gatsby looks almost as great as a superhero at the weekend box office.

Leonard DiCaprio's "The Great Gatsby" partied like it was the Roaring Twenties with a \$51.1 million debut that made it a surprisingly strong runner-up to comic-book blockbuster "Iron Man 3."

Studio estimates Sunday put "Gatsby" at No. 2 behind Robert Downey Jr.'s superhero sequel, which pulled in \$72.5 million domestically to raise its total to \$284.9 million after just 10 days in U.S. theaters.

With an additional \$89.3 million in its third weekend overseas, "Iron Man 3" lifted its international total to \$664.1 million and its worldwide haul to \$949 million.

"The Great Gatsby" far exceeded expectations by distributor Warner Bros. of a \$35 million to \$40 million opening weekend.

Director Baz Luhrmann's 3-D adaptation of the F. Scott Fitzgerald classic was a rare box-office smash for films aimed at older adults during the youth-minded summer season. According to Warner Bros., viewers over 25 made up 69 percent of the film's audience. "It answers the question that you and I hear all the time from people over 50, 'There's nothing for me to see,'" said Dan Fellman, the studio's head of distribution. "While every studio



This film publicity image released by Disney-Marvel Studios shows Robert Downey Jr., left, as Tony Stark/Iron Man and Gwyneth Paltrow as Pepper Potts in a scene from "Iron Man 3."

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has the \$200 million tentpoles in the marketplace, you still have those who feel that it's not directed at them, which is true. So that's why I think counter-programming like this is very important."

The weekend's other new wide release, Lionsgate's romantic comedy "Peeples," flopped at No. 4 with just \$4.9 million. Produced by Tyler Perry, the movie stars Craig Robinson and Kerry Washington in a meet-the-parents-style farce.

Getting a head start on its domestic launch Friday, "Star Trek: Into Darkness" opened with \$31.7 million in seven international markets. Its overseas debut

included \$13.3 million in Great Britain, \$7.6 million in Germany and \$5.5 million in Australia.

Starring DiCaprio in the title role as 1920s mystery millionaire Jay Gatsby, the latest Fitzgerald update co-stars Carey Mulligan as his lost love and Tobey Maguire as the friend chronicling their doomed romance.

It was by far the biggest debut ever for filmmaker Luhrmann, whose previous best was \$14.8 million for "Australia." In just one weekend, "The Great Gatsby" nearly matched the \$57.4 million domestic haul that Luhrmann's top-grossing film, the musical "Moulin Rouge!", managed in its entire run.

"Gatsby" also gave DiCaprio his second-biggest debut, behind the \$62.8 million take for "Inception." The film's success follows a bumpy road to theaters. Originally scheduled for release last December, Warner Bros. pushed it back to summer to give Luhrmann more time to finish his elaborate visual spectacle. How well the film holds up in coming weeks depends on word-of-mouth from fans. Reviews for "The Great Gatsby" have been so-so, with many critics saying it sacrifices drama and substance for style and dazzle, including Luhrmann's elaborate party scenes backed by a contemporary soundtrack fea-

turing Jay-Z, Beyonce and Lana Del Rey.

"Iron Man 3" was down a steep 58 percent from its opening weekend haul, no surprise given that its \$174.1 million domestic debut was the second-biggest ever. The only film to do more business was Downey and company's ensemble adventure "The Avengers," which topped \$200 million in its premiere last year.

"The Avengers" held up better in its second weekend with \$103.1 million, a drop of only 50 percent. But "Iron Man 3" is on its way to becoming the biggest solo superhero hit worldwide and the second-biggest comic-book adaptation, behind the \$1.5 billion "Avengers" payday.

"This is on a trajectory like no other individual superhero movie we've ever seen," said Paul Dergarabedian, an analyst for box-office tracker Hollywood.com. "In less than three weeks, this thing is honing in on a billion dollars. It's just a testament to the incredible popularity of this character."

The movie already has far surpassed the franchise best of \$624 million worldwide for "Iron Man 2."

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to Hollywood.com. Where available, latest international numbers are also included. Final domestic figures will be released Monday. □

## Lucasfilm: New 'Star Wars' movie to be shot in United Kingdom

**LONDON (AP)** — The next "Star Wars" movie will be shot in a galaxy far, far away from Hollywood — Britain.

Lucasfilm President Kathleen Kennedy says the company has reached a deal with British Treasury chief George Osborne to make "Star Wars: Episode VII" in the U.K.

She said Friday that the production company was "revisiting the origins of 'Star Wars'" for the new

movie. Parts of all six previous movies were made in Britain. Osborne said the announcement was "great news for fans and our creative industries."

"Star Wars" maker Lucasfilm was bought last year for \$4.05 billion by The Walt Disney Co., which has announced plans for a new trilogy of films.

The first new movie, directed by sci-fi wunderkind J.J. Abrams ("Star Trek"), is due for release in 2015. □



In this May 30, 2009 file picture, Little Richard performs at The Domino Effect, a tribute concert to New Orleans Rock and Roll musician Fats Domino, in New Orleans, La.

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## Little Richard's boyhood home to be moved

**MACON, Georgia (AP)** — Officials in Georgia have decided to move the boyhood home of Little Richard to spare it from a highway construction project. Macon Mayor Robert Reichert made the announcement Friday. WMAZ-TV reports that the 80-year-old singer is receiving an honorary degree on Saturday from Mercer University.

Born Richard Wayne Penniman, Little Richard grew up in Macon's Pleasant Hill

community. That's a neighborhood that was later divided by the construction of Interstate 75.

The "Tutti Frutti" singer's boyhood home faced possible demolition to make room for a planned expansion of the interchange. City officials said the home will be relocated to a lot near the Pleasant Hill community garden.

At its new location, the house will be used as a neighborhood resource center. □

# 'Idol' judges drama upstaging competition

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**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — The ratings are down. Randy Jackson is out. Mariah Carey and Nicki Minaj are still at it.

All is not well on TV's once dominant "American Idol," despite a shake-up at the beginning of this season that was supposed to rejuvenate the aging Fox talent competition. Instead, the behind-the-scenes-and-sometimes-in-front-of-the-scenes drama continues to cast a shadow over the series, right up to Thursday's coronation of "Idol's" 12th season champion.

Jackson's declaration last week that he was departing the show means producers could plan a proper send-off for the lone remaining original judge this week, much the same way they did for Simon Cowell during the ninth season finale in 2010. However, the fates of the other three judges remain uncertain amid reports they're out, too, and Fox and "Idol" producer FremantleMedia aren't commenting.

It's oh-so-familiar territory for the show, whose panel has revolved like an amusement park carousel since the addition of songwriter Kara DioGuardi at the beginning of the eighth



In this May 23, 2012 file photo, from left, Steven Tyler, Jennifer Lopez and Randy Jackson appear onstage at the "American Idol" finale in Los Angeles. Jackson announced on Thursday, May 9, 2013, that he was departing the show after serving 12 seasons on the show's judging panel.

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season in 2009. The will-they-or-won't-they speculation sparked publicity for years, but many viewers — the ones who are left, anyway — have seemingly grown tired of the guessing games.

"It's a disservice to the talent on the show," said Lyndsey Parker, Yahoo's music editor who writes about "Idol" and other televised singing competitions on the "Reality Rocks" blog. "I'm quite fatigued by all the emphasis on the

judges, especially when they step down or aren't asked back or whatever, and the speculation begins about all the potential replacements."

A trio of chart-topping new faces on this season's panel was supposed to breathe new life into "Idol." With reported paychecks of \$18 million for Carey, \$12 million for Minaj and \$6 million for Keith Urban, there hasn't been a return on the investment. The ratings have never been

lower for "Idol," which for nine seasons was the most-watched show on TV.

What went wrong? How did "Idol" lose its way? Was it merely a lackluster crop of contestants this season? Or have viewers simply grown weary of searching for yet another superstar since 2002? Maybe they were turned off by that ongoing feud between hip-hop diva Minaj and pop queen Carey, just as much as by some of the contestants?

"When you're on the stage, it does feel pretty awkward," acknowledged Candice Glover, the R&B vocalist who will face off against country singer Kree Harrison on Wednesday. "When it's happening to another contestant, I try not to watch. I don't think it overshadows the performance, but when you're up there, you have to wait for them to finish (the back-and-forth)."

The tone between the pair is far darker than the days when Cowell playfully teased Paula Abdul, and the vitriolic tweets and sensational asides between Minaj and Carey have stood in stark contrast to all the "girl power" up on stage. For the first time, five female singers ascended to the top of the pack, and a woman will win the show's grand prize for the first time since 2007.

It's likely no consolation that over on NBC's "The Voice," which has regularly toppled "Idol" in the ratings this year, drama-free celebrity panelists like Usher, Adam Levine, Cee Lo Green and Shakira actually seem to all get along. Some of them even dueted together last week at a Los Angeles event. It's difficult to imagine Minaj ever laying down a rap alongside Carey. □



This Sunday May 12, 2013 photo shows a mural painted on the outside of musician Chris Brown's home in Los Angeles. The Grammy-winning musician's neighbors are unhappy with what some are calling frightening art he's chosen to have painted along the curb of his Hollywood Hills home.

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**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — Grammy-winning musician Chris Brown's neighbors are unhappy with the creepy art he's chosen to have painted along the curb of his

Hollywood Hills home. A neighborhood group said the grimacing, sharp-toothed, red-eyed goblins painted along a retaining wall have been scaring lo-

## Chris Brown's scary curbside art irks Los Angeles neighbors

cal children, and is an eyesore to boot, the Los Angeles Times reported.

"There are lots of babies, lots of children, and they're literally frightened. It's like devils on the wall — big scary eyes and big scary teeth, and just the whole vibe is not what we're used to," Patti Negri, president of the Hollywood Dell Civic Association, told the newspaper.

L.A. city code officials responded to complaints about the monster art and cited the "Run It!" singer \$376 for unpermitted and excessive signage.

Under city ordinances, it's

illegal to create murals on most private properties. Though that didn't stop Madonna from painting her Hollywood Hills home in red and yellow stripes in the 1990s. Brown has been ordered to remove the goblin paintings within 30 days, but his attorney Mark Geragos said the musician is not backing down.

"They are trying to suspend the First Amendment," Geragos said, referring to the constitutional right to free speech.

Geragos alleges neighbors are harassing Brown, and have also made parking complaints about him and

called animal control.

Brown's tumultuous relationship with singer Rihanna and foul-mouthed Twitter presence have given him a bad boy reputation. Brown won a Grammy in 2011 for Best R&B Album with "F.A.M.E." and was arrested shortly after the 2009 awards ceremony for assaulting Rihanna.

"I know a \$300 fine is probably pocket change. But hopefully and maybe, he'll just see the light and decide to be a good neighbor," Negri told the Times. "We're happy to have him — if he just tones it down." □

## Started At The Bottom



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Not long ago, I devoted a column to the mostly upper-middle-class students at elite universities – the empirical kids. I thought it would be interesting to devote a column to students who at least started at the other end of the social scale. So the Times researcher Anne Snyder and I interviewed a bunch of young people whom we had met earlier through the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute.

Edgar Leon's background was pretty typical. Both his parents immigrated from Mexico. His mom does janitorial work in Chicago, while his dad commuted to Indiana to fix railroad lines.

These young people have been shaped by their awesome life trajectories, from poor neighborhoods, to college, to internships on Capitol Hill. Cristi Privado is the last of seven children and the only one to graduate from high school. Kimberly Lopez has a brother and a sister who dropped out of school in the 9th and 10th grades. Her sister got pregnant at 16. "I got lucky," Kimberly explained.

None of them had pressuring parents who organized their children's lives for success. "College was more of an encouragement in my home, less a given," Edgar recalled.

Almost all of them experienced a life-altering move when they were teenagers. Reuben Kapp benefited from a school choice program that enabled him to move from an urban Michigan high school to a suburban one. "I'm a big believer in school choice," he said. "If it wasn't for choice, I wouldn't be here."

Cristi's parents took her from a poorly performing middle school and moved to Greenville, S.C. At her new school there, she fell in with the smart kids. She developed a taste for country music. She ended up as class president.

She was not babied in school. "Until I got to D.C., I never heard the word mentor. When I got here, it seemed that everybody has one," Cristi joked.

Like several of the others, she was discouraged from applying to a competitive college. Cristi said her guidance counselor mentioned that her own son had been rejected by Clemson so Cristi shouldn't apply. "That made me definitely want to apply."

In college and at internships, they found a new world. "My mom and dad always worked

the third shift. It dawned on me that some people leave work at 5 p.m.," Edgar remembered.

Edgar lived at home while going to DePaul, commuting 45 minutes each way. "I was just going to class and going to work," he noted, uncomplainingly. Cristi's father died a month before graduation. She had to finish the term through her grief.

Most of the students had some trouble gelling with the whiter, richer student body in college and hung out mostly with fellow Hispanics. "We love our culture," said Reuben. "That's what makes our group stronger and bonds us together." Now they seem to flow fluidly across cultural lines.

We met them as they were finishing a stint as congressional staffers, often answering the phones and hearing the public rage about everything from the sequester to immigration reform. All of them have experienced culture shock in coming to Washington. Kimberly observed, "I feel that here people will do whatever it takes to get to the top. It was really overwhelming at the beginning. Are they being sincere? I could never tell." Edgar echoed that: "Everyone is on a mission. People are all about networking. How can we use each other to get what we want? Maybe there's a lack of genuineness?"

Still, most wanted to stay in politics. As Kimberly put it: "I really want to go back to Delaware and seek elective office, whether it is local office or national office. To be president would be really cool."

The economy has been bad during their adult lives, but they've been shooting upward. Anne Snyder and I both came away with the impression that they have fewer anxieties than the more affluent students or empirical kids, less of a fear that one false move can lead to disaster. They seemed both hardy and a bit naive, made more resilient by reality but not jaded by it. Their conversational styles were enthusiastic, grateful, direct and earnest. They seemed to us unself-conscious about how they present themselves – unironic, matter of fact, sincere and unmeta – not tripping in loops of self-awareness. They also have a less methodical sense of the exact steps you have to take to make it in the world.

Their ambitions were perpetually sandwiched by their affections. "I know people who move across the country for a job. They see their family once or twice a year. I could never do that," Kimberly remarked.

Without even being asked, almost all of them burst into rhapsodies about their country. "I love the United States," Reuben explained. "I have a lot of pride in the United States. I'm not a hockey fan, but when the American team is playing I go crazy." □



## The Taxman VS The Tea Party



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As a taxpayer and a conservative who hopes to remain on good terms with the Internal Revenue Service for many April 15ths to come, I don't want to speculate too freely about the motives of the "low level" IRS employees who decided to single out Tea Party groups for an inappropriate level of attention during the heat of the 2012 campaign.

But I'm willing to guess this much: Even though an American Civil Liberties Union official described their excessive interest in right-wing groups as "about as constitutionally troubling as it gets," the bureaucrats in question probably thought they were just doing their patriotic duty and giving dangerous extremists the treatment they deserved.

Where might an enterprising, public-spirited IRS agent get the idea that a Tea Party group deserved more scrutiny from the government than the typical band of activists seeking tax-exempt status? Oh, I don't know: why, maybe from all the prominent voices who spent the first two years of the Obama era worrying that the Tea Party wasn't just a typically messy expression of citizen activism, but something much darker – an expression of crypto-fascist, crypto-racist rage, part Timothy McVeigh and part Bull Connor, potentially carrying a wave of terrorist violence in its wings. The historical term for this kind of anxiety is "Brown Scare" – an inordinate fear of a vast far-right conspiracy, which

resembles the anti-Communist panics of our past. As the historian Philip Jenkins wrote in 2009, Brown Scares no less than Red Scares recur throughout U.S. history. They fasten on real-enough phenomena, from homegrown fascist sympathizers in the 1930s to the militia movements in the 1990s, but then wildly exaggerate both the danger these extremists pose and their ties to the conservative mainstream.

In the '30s, Jenkins noted, this mentality inspired the persistent media-fed fear that "the U.S. was about to be overwhelmed by ultra-Right fifth columnists, millions strong, intimately allied with the Axis powers." In the '60s, it persuaded many liberals that Dallas' right-wing fever was somehow responsible for John F. Kennedy's assassination even though the president's actual assassin was a communist sympathizer. (This idea fixe persists to the present day.) After the Oklahoma City bombing, it led many people to tar the entire militia movement as terrorist, not just extremist, and then to conflate the militias (this was one of Bill Clinton's defter moves) with the mainstream small-government right.

Our own era's Brown Scare followed a similar pattern. Early in President Barack Obama's first term, a Department of Homeland Security report predicted an increase in right-wing extremism, citing real threats but also employing "a definition of extremist so broad," Reason magazine's Jesse Walker noted, that "it seemed to include anyone who opposed abortion or immigration or excessive federal power."

As the Tea Party movement gathered steam, liberals consistently echoed the DHS report's themes, warning that the movement's fringier elements and often-overheated rhetoric (which were real enough, and worth criticizing) were laying the groundwork for a wave of far-right violence.

Invoking JFK's assassination and

Oklahoma City, these critics then leapt to connect the dots every time a kook pulled a gun or set off a bomb somewhere – whether it was a lone neo-Nazi shooting a guard at the Holocaust museum in Washington, the apparent murder (ultimately ruled a suicide) of a census worker in rural Kentucky, or even the failed Times Square bombing (which turned out to be the work of a would-be jihadist, but not before Michael Bloomberg had suggested that it might be "someone with a political agenda that doesn't like the health care bill or something").

The dots-connecting peaked, of course, with the shooting of Gabrielle Giffords, which was instantly deemed a case of right-wing incitement leading to political violence, with the blame going to Sarah Palin, Glenn Beck and conservatism in general.

When none of this turned out to be true, however – the shooter was not really a political actor at all, just a mentally ill lost soul with no connection to partisan politics – the scare began a slow retreat. The Tea Party had won its mid-term victory, and as the movement's ardor cooled and its influence diminished, the fears of its critics began to diminish as well. With Beck off Fox and the Tea Partiers off the streets – replaced by Occupy Wall Street and union protesters, often shouting none-too-moderate slogans of their own – it became harder to look at American conservatism and see Brown-shirts or grand wizards on the march.

Moods and prejudices linger even after panics recede. The IRS and the conservative movement have never been on the best of terms, and perhaps the recent abuses just reflect that longstanding tension. Yet I suspect that it's more than that, and that this episode will be remembered as one of the last embarrassments produced by our era's Brown Scare. □

# On a college waiting list? Sending cookies won't help

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When Amanda Wolfbauer, a high school senior, received the admissions verdict from Hamilton College, in Clinton, N.Y., she posted on Twitter, "What does one do once they're on a college waitlist? (HASHTAG) frustrated (HASHTAG) worse than rejection."

A few minutes later she had gone from dejected to dogged: "Well, @HamiltonAdmsn prepare to be dazzled, because I'm determined to get off that waitlist."

Since then, Wolfbauer, of Carver, Minn., says she has written the admissions department to tell it "how much I want to go there and why Hamilton has been my No. 1 choice since the beginning of my college search"; she sent in "a lot of high school projects," including one that won a statewide competition; and last weekend she started filming a video with friends – teachers to be added later – "basically telling them how awesome I am, talking about the positive qualities I have and why Hamilton should accept me."

Does she ever worry it might be too much? "I more worry that I'm not doing enough," she said.

Especially not while other students on waiting lists are bombarding their dream schools with baked goods, family photos, craft projects depicting campus landmarks and dossiers of testimonials from civic and religious leaders, to name just a few come-ons that admissions offices have seen over the past month.

For most applicants to selective colleges, the letters that arrived by April 1 brought an end to months of anxious wondering. But for some small fraction of those students, the tension is only now reaching its apex. They were assigned not to the relief of the yes pile, or the decisiveness of the no pile, but to the slender median of the maybe, with no idea how their application will be resolved, or even when.

The schools generally ask those students to send word

of whether they wish to stay on the waiting list or want to be removed from consideration. "We encourage wait-listed students who remain very interested in Columbia to send a brief letter affirming that interest and updating us on their senior year," said Jessica Marinaccio, Columbia University's dean of undergraduate admissions, "and discourage them from sending extra letters of recommendation or other supplementary materials."

Given the high stakes and the opaque proceedings, however, some students just cannot hold back.

Admissions officers describe the dynamic in terms that sound like dating: Hopeful students are trying to express their interest without coming off like a stalker, while colleges are trying to figure out whether the students are courting other institutions on the side.

"Last year, I had a girl who wrote to me every day," recalled Monica Inzer, Hamilton's dean of admissions. "She'd send me emails; she'd send me letters; she had alums write to me. We all knew that this girl wanted us more than anyone else."

When three spots in the freshman class opened up, that eager young woman was the first person Inzer called. "She said, 'Eh, I'm going someplace else.'"

Another applicant eagerly informed Ann Fleming Brown, the director of admissions at Union College, in Schenectady, N.Y., that the college was her first choice – or had become that when her true first choice, Bowdoin, rejected her. It is just one of the many ways, Brown and her colleagues at other schools say, that students on the waiting list have shot themselves in the foot in recent years.

They have insulted the college's judgment or taste. They have disparaged classmates who already got in. They have threatened to go over the admissions officer's head. Showing up and demanding an interview is inadvisable. Showing up with a camping tent, even more so. And parents are often part of the problem. "There's

a mother who emails me every third day – they must have timers on these things," Brown said. "There's one parent who calls up and yells at me: 'I can't believe this happened! This is a horrible thing!' And then he calls 10 minutes later and says, 'I'm sorry.' Then he calls and says, 'I know you don't like me. I'm being a complete pest.'"

To cut down on behavior like that, says David Borus, dean

wait-listed applicant to Yale once sent in – spelling out Motto's name and employer – did not do the trick.) No matter what approach students take, there is no way to predict how many seats will become available. Right now, schools are counting up how many accepted students have decided to enroll. (Even that number is only a conditional answer, since those committed students could still get

ask about buying their way off the waiting list. At Inzer's former employer, Babson College, in Wellesley, Mass., she said one parent went so far as to open a checkbook and ask, "What's it going to take?"

According to Motto, at a time when top academic institutions now receive nine-figure donations, there is little point in even asking those questions.

"All parents say they know



**Amanda Wolfbauer, who sent a letter and video testimonials to Hamilton College after she was put on the waiting list, at her home in Carver, Minn., May 6, 2013. Students are bombarding their dream schools with baked goods, family photos, craft projects and dossiers of testimonials, to name just a few come-ons that admissions offices have seen recently.**

(Ben Garvin/The New York Times)

of admissions at Vassar College, "We are very explicit in the communications we send out about what's going to help you and what's not going to help you, and we make it pretty clear that if you do do some of this stuff, you're just going to tick us off."

What works? Generally, communications that are informed and mature.

"What most students will do is write, 'I love you I love you I love you,'" said Michael Motto, a former assistant dean of admissions at Yale University who now works as a private educational consultant in New York. "While those notes are charming and flattering and warm, these are academic institutions."

Letters that indicate a deep interest in the college's scholarly offerings, he and others said, probably go further. (The cookies that a

word that their first-choice school has plucked them off its waiting list, leaving an opening for a student on the second-choice school's waiting list.)

Trinity College, in Hartford, Conn., which offers several hundred students a spot on its waiting list, eventually accepted around 30 of them last year. The year before, that number was zero. And the year before that, it was more than 100. At present, Hamilton, the school Wolfbauer has been trying to impress, does not anticipate taking anyone off the waiting list, though that could change as the months go on.

Given that uncertainty, Inzer says, "I encourage families to treat a waitlist offer a little bit like a lottery ticket – if it comes through and you win, everything's great, but you don't plan on it."

Inevitably, some families will

someone who's made a contribution" that has turned a spot on the waiting list into a spot in the freshman class, he said. "Has it happened in some instances? I'm sure it has," but, he added, "I think a lot of it is rumor."

Which may be why some people turn to other sorts of currencies. During his time at Yale, Motto said, "Some parent called and offered to buy me two pizzas every week for a year if I admitted the person's child." (No one got off the waiting list that year.)

An entreaty that Brown received last month, from a father of a student on Union's waiting list, may just top them all. "I was offered free rotator cuff surgery," she said. "Or, alternately, carpal tunnel surgery. I said, Unfortunately I do not need either surgery. And he said, But you will." □